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## STATE AND CITY DEPARTMENT

### BOND PROPOSALS AND NEGOTIATIONS

**ARIZONA**

**Gila County (P. O. Globe), Ariz.**  
Warrants Called—Cyril Kennedy, County Treasurer, states that the following warrants were called for payment on Jan. 19:

Elementary Sch. Dist. No. 19: Salary, through warrant No. 2600, registered Dec. 23, 1941. Expense, through warrant No. 30551, registered Nov. 25, 1941.

Elementary Sch. Dist. No. 19: Salary, through warrant No. 2600, registered Dec. 23, 1941. Expense, through warrant No. 30551, registered Jan. 9, 1942.

Elementary Sch. Dist. No. 20: Expense, through warrant No. 30578, registered Jan. 10, 1942.

Elementary Sch. Dist. No. 24: Expense, through warrant No. 30563, registered Jan. 10, 1942.

Elementary Sch. Dist. No. 26: Salary, through warrant No. 2552, registered Dec. 23, 1941. Expense, through warrant No. 30649, registered Jan. 13, 1942.

Elementary Sch. Dist. No. 33: Salary, through warrant No. 2654, registered Jan. 3, 1942. Expense, through warrant No. 30518, registered Dec. 29, 1941.

High Sch. Dist. No. 1: Salary, through warrant No. 2798, registered Jan. 9, 1942. Expense, through warrant No. 30587, registered Jan. 12, 1942.

High Sch. Dist. No. 10: Salary, through warrant No. 2471, registered Dec. 19, 1941.

**ARKANSAS**

**Arkansas County Special Sch. Dist. No. 1 (P. O. De Witt), Ark.**

**Bonds Authorized**—We understand that the State Board of Education recently issued an order authorizing the issuance of \$14,000 4% bonds to retire non-bonded indebtedness as authorized by Act 91 of 1941.

**Beaver Dam Drainage Dist., Ark.**

**Progress of Bond Refunding Program**—We understand that the Bondholders Protective Committee has made two distributions to bondholders. Under date of March 31, 1941, the Committee advised bondholders that funds were available to make the first liquidating payments on bonds under decree of the Federal District Court. The payment at that time amounted to 3.6% of the total principal, interest coupons and accrued interest on past due bonds to Aug. 1, 1940. All bonds outstanding aggregating \$182,000 are subject to the plan of debt composition. The plan provides for the redemption and sale of all land in the district by a trustee appointed by the court for this purpose. Under the plan \$20,884.31 cash had been collected, notes aggregating \$25,063.54 due in one to four years secured by mortgages on certain lands had been taken up and there remained approximately 9,000 acres belonging to the district subject to sale by the trustee as provided in the plan.

Additional funds had been collected under the plan of liquidation and another order of distribution was issued by the Federal Court, according to a letter to bondholders dated Dec. 22, 1941. Certificates of deposit are to be

presented to Mr. C. W. Diekroeger, trustee and disbursing agent, 410 Olive St., St. Louis, Mo., for payment and endorsement. The payment at that time amounted to 2.4% of the total principal, interest coupons and accrued interest on past due bonds to Aug. 1, 1940. With this payment total liquidating payments aggregate 6% of principal and interest to Aug. 1, 1940.

**Lawrence County Sch. Dist. No. 45 (P. O. Imboden), Ark.**

**Bonds Authorized**—We understand that the State Board of Education recently issued an order authorizing the issuance of \$28,671.95 3 3/4% refunding and construction bonds.

**Pine Bluff, Ark.**

**Bond Offering Expected**—We understand that the City Council recently decided to advertise for sale an issue of \$25,000 airport bonds. These bonds are part of the \$200,000 that carried at the election on Aug. 6, 1940, of which \$120,000 have been sold.

**CALIFORNIA**

**Alvarado Sanitary District (P. O. Alvarado), Calif.**

**Bond Sale Details**—The Attorney for the District now states that the \$38,500 sewer construction bonds sold to Dean Witter & Co. of San Francisco, as noted here last October, were purchased at a price of 100.012 for \$33,000 as 3s, due \$1,100 from June 20, 1942 to 1971, the remaining \$5,500 as 2 3/4s, due on June 20; \$1,100 in 1972; \$1,200 in 1973 and 1974, and \$1,000 in 1976. Interest payable J-D.

**California (State of)**

**Warrants Sold**—An issue of \$2,358,253.96 general fund registered warrants was offered for sale on Jan. 26 and was awarded to R. H. Moulton & Co. of Los Angeles, at 0.75%, plus a premium of \$188.00. Dated Jan. 29, 1942. Due on or about Feb. 25, 1942. Legality approved by Orrick, Dahlquist, Neff & Herrington of San Francisco.

**Salinas, Calif.**

**Bond Offering**—Sealed bids will be received until 7:30 p.m. (PST), on Feb. 2, by F. E. Heple, City Clerk, for the purchase of \$245,000 coupon or registered sewer of 1942 bonds. Interest rate is not to exceed 4%, payable J-D Denom. \$1,000. Dated Jan. 15, 1942. Due on Dec. 15, as follows: \$10,000 in 1942 to 1952 and \$15,000 in 1953 to 1961. Rate of interest to be in a multiple of 1/4 or one-tenth of 1%. Bidders will be permitted to bid different rates of interest for different maturities of said bonds. Prin. and int. payable in lawful money at the City Treasurer's office. General obligations of the city, and the city has power and is obligated to levy ad valorem taxes for the payment of the bonds and the interest thereon upon all property within the city subject to taxation by the city (except certain intangible personal property, which is taxable at limited rates) without limitation of rate or amount. The bonds will be awarded to the highest and best bidder considering the interest rate specified and the premium

offered, if any. The highest bid will be determined by deducting from the total amount of interest which the city would be required to pay up to the maturity of the bonds, at the rate or rates specified in the bid, the amount of premium bid therefor, and the award will be made on the basis of the lowest net interest cost to the city.

The purchaser must pay accrued interest from the date of the bonds to the date of delivery. The City Council will take action awarding the bonds or rejecting all bids not later than Feb. 3. Delivery of the bonds will be made to the successful bidder at the City Treasurer's office, as soon as practicable. The successful bidder shall have the right to cancel the contract of purchase if the city shall fail to tender the bonds for delivery on or before Feb. 24, and in such event the successful bidder shall be entitled to the return of the deposit accompanying his bid. The cost of printing of the bonds will be borne by the city. All bids must be unconditional. In the event that prior to the delivery of the bonds the income received by private holders from bonds of the same type and character shall be taxable by the terms of any Federal income tax law, the successful bidder may, at his election, prior to the tender of the bonds by the city, be relieved of his obligations under the contract to purchase the bonds and in such case the deposit accompanying his bid will be returned. The legal opinion of Orrick, Dahlquist, Neff & Herrington of San Francisco, applying the validity of the bonds will be furnished to the successful bidder without charge, together with a certified copy of the transcript of proceedings. Enclose a certified check for \$10,000, payable to the City Treasurer.

These are the bonds mentioned in our issue of Jan. 24.

**Santa Barbara, Calif.**

**Bond Election Contemplated**—We understand that the City Council recently met to authorize calling an election to submit to the voters bonds aggregating \$215,000, and divided: \$50,000 fire fighting equipment, \$165,000 incinerator bonds.

**San Bernardino County (P. O. San Bernardino), Calif.**

**School Bond Offering**—Sealed bids will be received until 11 a.m. on Feb. 9, by Harry L. Allison, County Clerk, for the purchase of \$24,000 Warm Springs School District bonds. Interest rate is not to exceed 4 1/2%, payable M-S. Denoms. \$2,000 and \$3,000. Dated March 1, 1942. Due on March 1; \$3,000 in 1943 to 1946, and \$2,000 in 1947 to 1952. Prin. and int. payable at the County Treasurer's office. Said bonds will be sold for cash at not less than par and accrued interest to date of delivery, and each bid must state that the bidder offers par and accrued interest to date of delivery, and state separately the premium, if any, offered for the bonds bid for, and the rate of interest said bonds shall bear.

A certified or cashier's check for a sum not less than 5% of the par value of the bonds bid for, payable

to the order of the Treasurer of the County is required.

**San Francisco (City and County), Calif.**

**Notes Sold**—David A. Barry, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, states that \$3,000,000 tax anticipation notes were awarded on Jan. 26 to a group composed of the Anglo California National Bank, the Bank of America, N. T. & S. A., and the American Trust Co., all of San Francisco, at 0.41%. Due on May 11, 1942. Legality approved by Orrick, Dahlquist, Neff & Herrington of San Francisco.

**DIVIDEND NOTICES**

**THE BUCKEYE PIPE LINE COMPANY**

26 Broadway

New York, January 20, 1942  
A dividend of One (\$1.00) Dollar per share has been declared on the Capital Stock of this Company, payable March 14, 1942 to stockholders of record at the close of business February 20, 1942.

J. R. FAST, Secretary.

**United Shoe Machinery Corporation**

The Directors of this Corporation have declared a special dividend of \$1.50 per share on the Common capital stock, payable February 25, 1942, to stockholders of record at the close of business February 3, 1942.

WALLACE M. KEMP, Treasurer.

semi-ann. bonds aggregating \$16,000, offered for sale on Jan. 24—v. 155, p. 145—were purchased by the Citizens & Peoples National Bank of Pensacola.

\$6,500 Special Tax School District No. 6 bonds at a price of 105.00. Due from June 30, 1942 to 1954 incl. Dated July 1, 1938.

9,500 Special Tax School District No. 11 bonds at a price of 106.50. Due on March 31 in 1942 to 1959. Dated April 1, 1939.

**COLORADO**

**Johnston, Colo.**

**Bond Sale Details**—The Town Clerk now states that the \$40,000 3% semi-ann. refunding bonds sold at par to the First National Bank of Longmont, as noted here on Nov. 8, are due as follows: \$1,000 in 1941 to 1960, \$3,000, 1961 to 1966, and \$2,000 in 1967; redeemable on and after March 1, 1931.

**FLORIDA**

**Clearwater, Fla.**

**Additional Information**—In connection with the sale of the \$259,000 gas plant and sewer system revenue refunding certificates, noted in our issue of Nov. 4, it is now reported that these certificates were purchased by Robert Hawkins & Co., of Boston, and Leedy, Wheeler & Co., of Orlando, jointly, as 3 1/4s, A. & O., are dated Oct. 1, 1941, in the denomination of \$1,000, and mature Oct. 1, as follows: \$4,000 in 1942 and 1943, \$5,000 in 1944 to 1947, \$7,000 in 1948 to 1951, \$8,000 in 1952 to 1954, \$9,000 in 1955, \$10,000 in 1956 and 1957, \$12,000 in 1958 and 1959, \$13,000 in 1960 and 1961, \$14,000 in 1962 to 1964, \$15,000 in 1965 and 1966, and \$14,000 in 1967 and 1968. Prin. and int. payable at the Chemical Bank & Trust Co., New York. Legality approved by Caldwell & Raymond, of New York.

**Bonds Approved**—It is stated by A. S. Edwards, Superintendent of Schools, that at a recent election approval was given to bonds aggregating \$30,000 and divided as follows: \$25,000 Sch. Dist. No. 15, and \$10,000 Sch. Dist. No. 24. No date for sale has been fixed as yet.

**Fort Lauderdale, Fla.**  
**Maturity**—The City Auditor and Clerk states that the \$150,000 4% semi-ann. hospital revenue certificates sold at par to the RFC, as noted here on Nov. 22, are due on Dec. 1, as follows: \$2,000 in 1942 and 1943, \$3,000, 1944 and 1945, \$4,000, 1946 to 1949, \$5,000, 1950 to 1954, \$6,000, 1955 to 1958, \$7,000, 1959 to 1962, \$8,000, 1963 to 1966, \$7,000, 1967, and \$8,000 in 1968.

**Monroe County (P. O. Key West), Fla.**

**Paying Agent Appointed**—The Manufacturers Trust Co. of New York is said to have been appointed paying agent for airport bonds, dated Jan. 1, 1941.

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**Escambia County School Districts (P. O. Pensacola), Fla.**

**Bond Sale**—The following 6%

**Opa Locka, Fla.**

**Certificates Sold to RFC**—City Clerk F. S. Arnold states that the Reconstruction Finance Corporation has purchased at par the following 4% semi-ann. water revenue certificates aggregating \$40,873.50: \$29,000 improvement, and \$11,873.50 refunding. Dated March 1, 1941.

**ILLINOIS****Bellwood School District No. 88, Ill.**

**Plans Bond Issue**—The Board of Education recently passed a resolution authorizing an issue of \$18,000 bonds to pay teachers' orders.

**Chicago Park District, Ill.**

**Bond Call**—R. J. Dunham, President of the Park Commissioners, announces the call for payment on March 1, 1942, at par and accrued interest, of various series B refunding bonds, as follows:

Nos. B30895-B31361, 5%—\$467,000

Denom. \$1,000.

Nos. B31362-B31369, 5%—4,000

Denom. \$500.

Nos. B31370-B31510,

4 1/4%—141,000

Denom. \$1,000.

Nos. B31511-B31530,

4 1/4%—10,000

Denom. \$500.

Nos. B31531-B32637,

4 1/2%—1,107,000

Denom. \$1,000.

Nos. B32638-B32932,

4 1/4%—295,000

Denom. \$1,000.

Refunding, 4%—3,716,000

Dated Sept. 1, 1935. Due Sept. 1, 1955. Said bonds and all interest coupons maturing on March 1, 1942, and after, shall be presented for payment at the Park District Treasurer's office or at the First National Bank, Chicago.

**Galesburg, Ill.**

**Bond Sale Delayed**—Alfred Nystrom, City Clerk, reports that the sale of the \$129,000 2 1/2% water revenue construction bonds mentioned in these columns last November—v. 154, p. 850, has been delayed pending the receipt of a preference rating from the OPM office. The project was recently accorded a B-1 preference rating and until a better rating is received no definite steps will be taken toward issuing the bonds.

**Griggsville Sanitary District, Ill.**

**Bonds Defeated**—H. B. Reed, Clerk of the Board of Trustees, reports that the proposal to issue \$13,000 sewage plant bonds was rejected by the voters at the election on Dec. 18 last.

**Illinois (State of)**

**Local Tax Collection At High Level**—That Illinois tax collections are continuing at a high level is indicated by the fact that in 82 of the State's 102 counties, collections including back taxes were better than 95% of the current levy in 1940, according to a survey made public Jan. 27 by Bareus, Kindred & Co., Chicago, specialists in Illinois municipal bonds. Only seven counties had total collections less than 90%.

Highest tax collection record was achieved by Lawrence County; current collections were 99.4%, with back taxes bringing the total up to 102.5%. Lowest record was scored by Alexander County, with 66.3% current collections and 77.8% total collections.

The median Illinois County—with a record midway between the highest and lowest—collected 96.4% of its current levy, with back taxes bringing total collections up to 98.4%. Contrasted with this typical performance, Cook County collected only 69.1% of its current levy and had only 74.9% total collections.

Cook County's levy was \$14,495,176, while the levies of the 101 other counties totaled \$14,987,668. The Cook County levy did not include amounts for the Sanitary District or other overlapping bodies.

Reviewing Illinois' record since 1935, the survey states that while tax collections vary little from year to year, general economic conditions do affect the averages. It points out that 1935 and 1937—more prosperous years than 1936 and 1938—recorded higher tax collections. For current collections, 1940 showed the best average in the six-year period, although in total collections 1937 and 1939 were slightly better.

**Lincoln, Ill.**

**May Purchase Water Plant**—It is reported that the city is considering the purchase of the local water plant of the Central Illinois Electric & Gas Co. The property is up for sale and the city is being given the first opportunity to make the purchase. Municipal officials have conferred with representatives of a Chicago bond house regarding the issuance of revenue bonds to provide for the necessary funds.

(City is offering for sale on Feb. 2 an issue of \$15,750 judgment funding bonds.—v. 155, p. 405.)

**Litchfield, Ill.**

**Bond Sale Details**—The \$100,000 water supply system bonds sold last December to Lewis, Pickett & Co. of Chicago—v. 154, p. 1578, were purchased by the bankers at 3 3/4% at par.

**Murphysboro, Ill.**

**Debt**—The total indebtedness of the city at the start of the current year was \$82,032.57, a reduction of \$14,752.86 from the figure which obtained a year earlier. An aggregate of \$10,000 bonds were retired last year, thus reducing the total of such indebtedness to \$60,500. The present funded debt limit prescribed by statute is about \$130,000. Floating debt on Jan. 1, 1942 was \$21,532.57.

**Toulon, Ill.**

**Pre-Election Sale**—The State Bank of Toulon and the First National Bank, of Wyoming, have purchased as 2s, at par, \$25,000 water system bonds subject to re-titling of an election to be held on March 3.

**Winnethka School District No. 36, Ill.**

**Bonds Sold**—An issue of \$23,000 refunding bonds was sold recently to Harriman Ripley & Co., Inc., Chicago, as 1 1/2s, at a price of 101.299, a basis of about 1.37%. Due May 1, 1953.

**Woodstock, Ill.**

**Bonds Sold**—An issue of \$150,000 2% power plant bonds was sold to Ballman & Main, and Blair, Bonner & Co., both of Chicago, jointly. Due in 10 years; optional after five years.

**INDIANA****Calumet City, Ind.**

**Seeks Solution To \$500,000 Judgment Debt**—Members of the local Taxpayer's Association recently conferred with municipal officials regarding "the best solution to the problem faced by Calumet City in the mandated issuance of \$500,000 worth of bonds on judgments." Mayor John W. Jarawski and City Councilmen addressed the meeting. City officials, it was said, have been threatened with jail on contempt counts unless the Council passes an ordinance authorizing the bond issue to satisfy the judgments.

**Huntington County (P. O. Huntington), Ind.**

**Bond Sale**—The \$65,000 county hospital repair bonds offered Jan. 27—v. 155, p. 93—were awarded to the City Securities Corp., Indianapolis, as 1 1/2s, at par, plus a premium of \$561.75, equal to 100.86, a basis of about 1.37%. Dated Jan. 1, 1942, and due \$2,500 on Jan. 1 and July 1 from 1943 to 1955 incl. Second high bid of 100.038 for 1 1/2s was made by the First National Bank of Huntington.

Other bids were as follows:

Bidder	Int. Rate	Rate Bid
First Nat'l Bk. of Huntington	1 1/2%	100.86
Raffensperger, Engles & Co.	1 1/2%	101.07
Plechner Trust Co.	1 1/2%	101.02
Hemphill, Noyes & Co. and Kenneta S. Johnson	1 1/2%	100.038
Jean Duveen & Co.	2%	101.08

\$5,000 in 1942 and \$4,000 in 1943 to 1946, giving a basis of about 2.30%. Interest payable J-J.

**IOWA****Cedar Rapids, Iowa**

**Bond Sale**—The \$10,000 semi-ann. fire department equipment bonds offered for sale on Jan. 26—v. 155, p. 250—were awarded to the Meriden National Bank of Cedar Rapids, as 1 1/2s, paying a price of 100.25, a basis of about 1.06%. Dated Jan. 15, 1942. Due on Dec. 1 in 1944 to 1946.

**Mason City Independent School District (P. O. Mason City), Iowa**

**Bond Offering**—District Secretary R. E. James will receive bids until Feb. 16, for the purchase of \$100,000 refunding bonds. The bonds to be refunded are due on April 1, and bear 5% interest. It is expected that they can be refinanced at less than 2% interest.

**Sioux City, Iowa**

**Bond Sale Postponed**—It is stated by C. A. Carlson, City Treasurer, that the sale of the \$200,000 airport bonds, which had been scheduled for Feb. 4—v. 155, p. 354—has been postponed until later in February.

**KANSAS****Russell, Kan.**

**Bonds Sold**—The City Clerk states that the \$85,000 hospital construction bonds approved by the voters at an election last April, have been sold.

**Shawnee County (P. O. Topeka), Kan.**

**Bonds Sold**—The County Commissioners at a private sale on Jan. 19 awarded \$35,000 1 1/4% refunding bonds to five Topeka bond houses at par. Due in 1948.

**Wichita, Kan.**

**Bond Sale**—The \$53,000 coupon semi-ann. fire station, series 437 bonds offered for sale on Jan. 26—v. 155, p. 310—were awarded to the Columbian Securities Corp. of Topeka, as 1 1/2s, at a price of 100.301, a basis of about 1.19%. Dated Jan. 1, 1942. Due on Jan. 1 in 1943 to 1952 incl.

The \$156,000 coupon semi-ann. refunding, series 438 bonds offered at the same time, were purchased by the First National Bank of Chicago, as 1 1/2s, at a price of 100.176, a basis of about 1.47%. Dated Feb. 1, 1942. Due on Feb. 1 in 1943 to 1952 incl.

**KENTUCKY****Breckinridge County (P. O. Hardinsburg), Ky.**

**Debt Refunding Plan**—The refunding plan which has been worked out provides for the exchange of voted road and bridge bonds of the county outstanding in the amount of \$206,000 to be exchanged for refunding bonds par for par. The new refunding bonds will bear 4 1/4% interest, will be dated Oct. 1, 1941, and mature Oct. 1, 1981, callable at par and accrued interest on any interest payment date subsequent to the maturity dates of the original bonds. To illustrate—a bond now maturing on July 1, 1945, will be exchanged for a bond callable on Oct. 1, 1945, and any interest payment date thereafter.

All past due coupons up to and including July 1, 1941, will be paid simultaneously with the exchange of the bonds. The bonds will be exchanged in such a manner that the present order of serial numbers will be maintained.

**Fayette High School Company (P. O. Lexington), Ky.**

**Bond Sale Details**—It is now reported that the \$21,000 first chattel mortgage bonds sold to the First National Bank & Trust Co. of Lexington, as noted here on Sept. 6, were purchased as 3s, at 101.85, a basis of about 1.37%. Dated Jan. 1, 1942, and due \$2,500 on Jan. 1 and July 1 from 1943 to 1955 incl. Second high bid of 100.038 for 1 1/2s was made by the First National Bank of Huntington.

Other bids were as follows:

v. 154, p. 1043—were purchased by the bankers at a price of 103.35, a basis of about 2.08%. Due June 1, 1947. Denom. \$1,000. Prin. and int. (J-D) payable at the National Bank of Commerce, of Portland. Legality approved by Carioll S. Champlin, of Portland.

**MASSACHUSETTS****Arlington, Mass.**

**Note Sale**—The issue of \$200,000 notes offered Jan. 26 was awarded to the Second National Bank of Boston, at 0.259% discount. Dated Jan. 29, 1942. Denoms. to suit purchaser. Due Nov. 6, 1942. Issued in anticipation of revenue for the current year. Payable at the First National Bank of Boston. Notes certified by the Director of Accounts at the State House, Boston.

**Dedham, Mass.**

**Note Sale**—The \$200,000 tax anticipation notes offered Jan. 28—v. 155, p. 406—were awarded to the Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co. and the Second National Bank of Boston, jointly, at 0.24% discount. Dated Jan. 29, 1942, and due \$100,000 each on Nov. 13 and Nov. 27, 1942. Other bids:

Bidder	Discount
Norfolk County Trust Co., Dedham	0.257%
E. L. Day & Co. (plus \$1 prem.)	0.26
E. Jackson & Curtis	0.26
First National Bank of Boston	0.267
New England Trust Co., Boston	0.32
Merchants National Bank of Boston	0.34

**Malden, Mass.**

**Note Issue Details**—The \$10,000 defense notes awarded Jan. 20 to the Malden Trust Co., Malden, at 0.40% discount—v. 155, p. 354—are dated Jan. 22, 1942 and mature Jan. 22, 1943.

**Middlesex County (P. O. East Cambridge), Mass.**

**Note Sale**—The issue of \$1,000,000 notes offered Jan. 27—v. 155, p. 354—was awarded to the Second National Bank of Boston, at 0.267% discount. Dated Jan. 30, 1942, and due Nov. 6, 1942. Other bids:

Bidder	Discount
Merchants National Bank of Boston	0.269%
First National Bank of Boston	0.32
National Shawmut Bank of Boston	0.32

**Somerville, Mass.**

**Bond Sale**—The \$50,000 coupon water mains bonds offered Jan. 29 were awarded to Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., New York, as 1 1/2s, at a price of 100.118, a basis of about 1.48%. Dated Jan. 1, 1942. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$5,000 on Jan. 1 from 1943 to 1952 incl. Prin. and int. (J-J) payable at the National Shawmut Bank of Boston. Legality to be approved by Storey, Thorndike, Palmer & Dodge of Boston. Other bids: (for 1 1/2s) National Shawmut Bank of Boston, 100.625; Lyons & Shafto, 100.40; Robert Hawkins & Co., 100.399; Bond, Judge & Co., 100.002; (for 2s) Tyler & Co., 100.666; C. F. Childs & Co., 100.561.

**Taunton, Mass.**

**Note Sale**—The \$300,000 current year revenue anticipation notes offered Jan. 27—v. 155, p. 406—were awarded to the Lee Higginson Corp., Boston, at 0.36% discount. Dated Jan. 28, 1942, and due Nov. 10, 1942. Other bids:

Bidder	Discount
Bristol County Trust Co., Taunton	0.167%
First National Bank of Boston	0.378
Machinists National Bank, Taunton	0.38
First Boston Corp.	0.39

**MICHIGAN****Bay City, Mich.**

**Bond Issue Approved**—The State Public Debt Commission has approved the city's application for permission to issue \$70,000 operating revenue bonds.

**Birmingham, Mich.**

**May Refund Bonds**—The City Commission has notified the State Public Debt Commission that it may issue \$165,000 refunding bonds.

**Ecorse Township School District No. 9 (P. O. Allen Park), Mich.**

**Bonds Not Sold**—Refunding Agent Matthew Carey, of Detroit,

reports that the sale of the \$218,000 refunding bonds of 1942, scheduled for Jan. 26—v. 155, p. 354—was postponed indefinitely without opening bids. Offering consisted of:

\$188,000 series I bonds. Due May 1 as follows: \$7,000 from 1943 to 1946 incl.; \$5,000 in 1947 and 1948, and \$10,000 from 1949 to 1963 incl. Partially callable as noted below.

30,000 series 2 bonds. Due May 1 as follows: \$8,000 in 1942; \$3,000 from 1943 to 1946 incl. and \$5,030 in 1947 and 1948. Non-callable.

All of the bonds will be dated Feb. 2, 1942. Bonds Nos. 169 to 178 incl. of series I will be callable in inverse numerical order, at par and accrued interest, on 30 days' published notice, on any interest payment date on and after May 1, 1946; bonds Nos. 179 to 188 callable on and after May 1, 1944. All of the \$218,000 bonds will bear interest at a rate or rates, expressed in multiples of  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 1%, not exceeding 3% per annum to May 1, 1944,  $3\frac{1}{2}\%$  thereafter to May 1, 1947, and 4% thereafter until paid.

#### Hamtramck, Mich.

**Certificates Called For Payment** — Raymond F. Matyniak, City Controller, announces the call for redemption on March 1, 1942, at par and accrued interest, of the following refunding certificates, dated Sept. 1, 1933, bearing 5% interest and maturing Sept. 1, 1943: Nos. 33, 53, 62, 212, 363, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 415, 421, 439, 440, 441, 449, 454, 455, 490, 492.

The certificates were selected for redemption by lot by the City Controller in accordance with the resolution authorizing their issuance. They will be redeemed upon presentation for payment at the Detroit Trust Co., Detroit.

#### Hillsdale, Mich.

**Proposed Bond Election** — An election may be called on the question of authorizing up to \$100,000 municipal power plant construction bonds.

#### Pontiac, Mich.

**Bond Call** — Oscar Eckman, Director of Finance, announces the call for redemption on March 1, 1942, at par and accrued interest, of the following series A and B refunding bonds of 1934, dated March 1, 1934, payable March 1, 1964, and redeemable on any interest payment date:

Series A, Nos. 30, 140, 200, 210, 281, 308, 315, 328, 330, 466, 477, 498, 505, 624, 636, 650, 666, 671, 825, 913, 1043, 1056, 1078, 1087, 1174, 1215, 1260, 1303, 1454, 1474, 1586, 1592, 1597, 1603, 1657, 1658, 1685, 1736, 1755, 1757, 1782, 1787, 1795, 1861, 1875, 1889, 1915, 1955, 2023, 2068, 2110, 2139, 2159, 2179, 2221, 2243, 2291, 2345, 2368, 2379, 2435, 2458, 2477, 2508, 2511, 2528, 2542, 2551, 2564, 2571, 2575, 2581, 2597, 2770, 2803, 2835, 2861, 2864, 2929, 3005, 3021, 3031, 3062, 3079, 3104, 3112, 3153, 3228, 3234, 3273, 3292, 3301, 3302, 3308, 3309, 3314, 3334, 3382, 3419, 3424, 3461, 3475, 3485, 3503, 3514, 3571, 3619, 3657, 3679, 3772, 3777, 3802, 3840, 3855, 3872, 3907, 4005, 4012, 4031, 4078, 4113, 4144, 4216, 4217, 4251, 4279, 4314, 4330, 4335, 4357, 4375, 4391, 4455, 4479, 4481, 4494, 4655, 4773, 4810, 4811, 4813, 4861, 4910, 5042, 5159, 5172, 5260, 5269, 5314, 5315, 5318, 5328, 5348.

(The letter "A" which is prefixed to each number on the bonds, is omitted in the foregoing enumeration.)

Series B, Nos. 7, 52, 130, 136, 153, 156, 189, 192, 240, 251, 299, 336, 424, 465, 529, 544, 596, 638, 692, 701, 797, 819, 830, 856, 861, 867, 916, 922, 927, 928, 938, 948, 1010, 1020, 1021, 1028, 1032, 1073, 1075, 1139, 1143, 1157, 1163, 1174, 1210, 1221, 1250, 1253, 1258, 1264,

1273, 1276, 1300, 1303, 1314, 1390, 1398, 1474, 1626, 1635, 1707.

(The letter "B" which is prefixed to each number on the bonds, is omitted in the foregoing enumeration.)

The said bonds were selected for redemption by lot by the National Bank of Detroit, the same being the method of selection provided in the resolution authorizing the issuance of said bonds.

The said bonds should be delivered to the bank for payment on March 1, 1942, after which time all interest on said bonds shall cease.

#### MINNESOTA

**Brandsvold (P. O. Fosston, R. F. D. No. 2), Minn.**

**Bond Offering** — W. P. Strand, Town Clerk, will receive bids until Feb. 25, at 2 p.m., for the purchase of \$18,000 road and bridge, general obligation bonds.

The approving opinion of Fletcher, Dorsey, Barker, Colman & Barber of Minneapolis, will be furnished.

#### Glencoe, Minn.

**Bond Election** — We understand that a special election has been called for Feb. 3, to submit to the voters an issue of \$25,000 hospital bonds.

#### Mankato Sch. Dist. (P. O. Mankato), Minn.

**Bonds Held In Abeyance** — It is stated by Loretta M. Veigel, Secretary of the Board of Education, in connection with the \$1,100,000 construction bonds that carried at the election on Dec. 16, 1941, the entire matter is being held in abeyance at present, pending the solving of various problems.

**Mille Lacs County School District No. 60 (P. O. Forester), Minn.**

**Bonds Sold** — The District Clerk reports that \$1,500 3% semi-annual funding bonds have been purchased at par by the State.

**Ramsey County (P. O. St. Paul), Minn.**

**Bond Issue Decision Postponed** — It is stated by Eugene A. Monick, County Auditor, in connection with the \$500,000 public welfare relief bonds, the County Board of Commissioners voted not to take action on the issuance of these bonds until the first meeting of the Board on March 2.

#### MISSISSIPPI

**Adams County (P. O. Natchez), Miss.**

**Bond Sale Pending** — In connection with the sale of the \$200,000 road and bridge bonds to Scharff & Jones, Inc. of New Orleans, as \$3, at 100.05, as noted here last April, it is now stated that the sale of these bonds has not as yet materialized.

#### Columbus, Miss.

**Bonds Sold** — A \$25,000 issue of 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ % semi-annual water extension bonds is said to have been purchased at par by Cady & Co. of Columbus. Dated Feb. 1, 1942. Due on Feb. 1 as follows: \$3,000 in 1943 to 1947, and \$2,000 in 1948 to 1952.

#### Greenwood, Miss.

**Bond Sale Details** — The City Clerk states that the \$10,000 semi-annual street improvement bonds is said to have been purchased at par by Cady & Co. of Memphis—v. 155, p. 311—were purchased as 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ s, at a price of 100.16, are dated Jan. 1, 1942, and mature on Jan. 1 as follows: \$900 in 1943 to 1951 and \$1,000 in 1952, giving a basis of about 2.22%.

Prin. and int. (J-J) payable at the National Bank of Commerce in Memphis.

**Lowndes County Road Districts (P. O. Columbus), Miss.**

**Bonds Sold** — Cady & Co. of Columbus, have purchased at par

the following 4% semi-annual refunding bonds aggregating \$53,000:

\$24,000 Artesia Road District bonds. Due on Dec. 1; \$1,000 in 1946 to 1954, \$2,000, 1955 to 1957, and \$3,000 in 1958 to 1960.

14,000 Tuscaloosa Road District bonds. Due on Dec. 1; \$500 in 1946 to 1951, \$1,000, 1952 to 1958, and \$2,000 in 1959 and 1960.

9,000 Supervisors District No. 4 bonds. Due on Dec. 1; \$500 in 1946 to 1957, and \$1,000 in 1958 to 1960.

6,000 Plymouth Road District bonds. Due \$500 from Dec. 1, 1946 to 1957 incl. Denom. \$500. Dated Dec. 1, 1941. Interest payable J-D.

**Newton County (P. O. Decatur), Miss.**

**Bond Sale Details** — The Clerk of the Chancery Court now reports that the \$10,000 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ % semi-annual funding second series bonds sold to Kingsbury & Alvis of New Orleans, as noted here on Dec. 27, were purchased at par and matured \$1,000 from Nov. 1, 1942 to 1951. Purchaser to pay for the printing of the bonds, validation costs and attorney's fee.

#### NEBRASKA

##### Campbell, Neb.

**Bond Sale Details** — The Village Clerk states that the \$7,000 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ % semi-annual refunding bonds sold to the Mortgage Investment Co. of Hastings—v. 155, p. 252—were purchased at par and matured \$500 on Dec. 1, 1942, and in 1944 to 1956.

**Consumers Public Power District (P. O. Columbus), Neb.**

**Bond Call** — Chas. B. Fricke, President of the Board of Directors, is calling for payment on Feb. 28, at par, plus a premium, certain revenue bonds of the above district, dated April 1, 1941, maturing from April 1, 1942 to 1971, aggregating \$86,000. Said bonds will be redeemed at the Chemical Bank & Trust Co., New York City, or at the American National Bank & Trust Co., Chicago, or at the First Trust Co., Lincoln. Interest ceases on date of call.

#### Hebron, Neb.

**Bond Election** — We understand that an election has been called for Feb. 17, to submit to the voters \$9,800 airport bonds. Due in 20 years.

**Stratton Sanitary Sewer Dist. No. 1 (P. O. Stratton), Neb.**

**Bonds Authorized** — We understand that the Village Council recently passed an ordinance authorizing the issuance of \$28,000 sewer bonds.

#### NEW HAMPSHIRE

##### Keene, N. H.

**Bonds Authorized** — The City Council passed a resolution earlier in the month providing for an issue of \$75,000 not to exceed 2% interest airport construction bonds, to mature Feb. 1 as follows: \$6,000 from 1943 to 1954 incl. and \$3,000 in 1955.

**Merrimack County (P. O. Concord), N. H.**

**Note Offering** — Alfred S. Cloues, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 11 a.m. on Feb. 3 for the purchase of \$300,000 notes. Dated Feb. 3, 1942, and due Dec. 15, 1942. Payable at the National Shawmut Bank of Boston. Issued in anticipation of taxes for 1942. Bids stating the rate that bidders for the whole, but not any part of the loan, must include interest to date of delivery. Interest will be payable at maturity and figured on exact number of days on a 360-day year method and no offer to discount the loan will be considered. The

notes will be certified as to genuineness and validity by the National Shawmut Bank of Boston, under advice of Storey, Thordike, Palmer & Dodge of Boston. Delivery on or about Feb. 5 at the aforementioned bank.

#### NEW JERSEY

##### Butler, N. J.

**Bond Offering** — John F. Borromouth, Borough Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p.m. (EST), on Feb. 9, for the purchase of \$52,000 not to exceed 5% interest coupon or registered sewer bonds. Dated Feb. 1, 1942. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$2,000 on Feb. 1 from 1943 to 1968 incl. Bidder to name a single rate of interest for all of the bonds, expressed in a multiple of  $\frac{1}{4}$  or 1/10th of 1%. Prin. and int. (F-A) payable at the Bronxville Trust Co., Bronxville. The bonds are unlimited tax obligations of the village and the approving legal opinion of Hawkins, Delafield & Longfellow of New York City, will be furnished the successful bidder. A certified check for \$2,800, payable to order of the village, must accompany each proposal. In the event that prior to the delivery of the bonds the income received by private holders from bonds of the same type and character shall be taxable by the terms of any Federal income tax law, the successful bidder may, at his election, be relieved of his obligations under the contract to purchase the bonds and in such case the deposit accompanying his bid will be returned.

#### NEW YORK

##### Bronxville, N. Y.

**Bond Offering** — Jerry C. Leary, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 3:30 p.m. on Feb. 5, for the purchase of \$140,000 not to exceed 6% interest coupon or registered community center and parking place bonds. Dated Feb. 1, 1942. Denom. \$1,000. Due Aug. 1, as follows: \$30,000 in 1943 and 1944, and \$40,000 in 1945 and 1946. Bidder to name a single rate of interest, expressed in a multiple of  $\frac{1}{4}$  or 1/10th of 1%. Prin. and int. (F-A) payable at the Bronxville Trust Co., Bronxville. The bonds are unlimited tax obligations of the village and the approving legal opinion of Hawkins, Delafield & Longfellow of New York City, will be furnished the successful bidder. A certified check for \$2,800, payable to order of the village, must accompany each proposal. In the event that prior to the delivery of the bonds the income received by private holders from bonds of the same type and character shall be taxable by the terms of any Federal income tax law, the successful bidder may, at his election, be relieved of his obligations under the contract to purchase the bonds and in such case the deposit accompanying his bid will be returned.

#### Buffalo, N. Y.

**Rigid Budget Control Effective** — As a result of rigid budgetary controls during the first six months of the current fiscal year, the advent of Mayor Kelly's administration Jan. 1 found each city department in excellent shape to carry on for the remaining six months, a comprehensive report by Comptroller Frank M. Davis revealed Jan. 21.

Exclusive of the Board of Education, city departments spent \$6,683,000 on operation and maintenance in the first half of 1941-42, out of a total appropriation for the year of \$14,269,000, the report shows. This leaves a balance of \$7,586,000.

Some of the larger appropriations and July-through-December expenditures are shown in the following tabulation:

	Appropriation	Spent
Police	\$1,123,882	\$1,384,633
Streets	2,797,903	1,372,963
Fire	2,265,501	1,045,578
Water	1,082,988	484,210
Engineering	1,040,382	605,521
Buildings	813,365	399,395
Parks	625,834	326,385

The report also indicates that total revenues from sources other than direct tax will exceed the estimates for the year. Thus far \$3,348,000 has been realized of a total estimate of \$10,122,125, but the total estimate included \$3,831,000 from State school aid, of which \$3,710,000 is yet to be paid.

An example of the increase over estimate is the \$100,462 realized in the first six months from the Civic Stadium and Memorial Auditorium. The estimate for the entire year was \$147,275. Similarly, the License Division has already yielded \$104,244 of a \$176,000 estimate.

The net bonded indebtedness Jan. 1, 1942, was \$82,070,771, leaving a borrowing capacity of \$12,544,692.

**Cortlandt Union Free School District No. 5 (P. O. Peekskill), N. Y.**

**Bond Sale** — The \$42,000 coupon or registered building bonds offered Jan. 26—v. 155, p. 252—were awarded to R. D. White & Co. of New York, as 2.70s, at a price of 100.26, a basis of about 2.66%. Dated Feb. 1, 1942, and due \$3,000 on Aug. 1 from 1943 to 1956 incl. Only one bid was submitted at the sale.

**East Greenbush Sewer District No. 1 (P. O. East Greenbush), N. Y.**

**Bond Sale Details** — The issue of \$28,000 (not \$29,000) sewer

Bidder—Int. Rate Rate Bid  
M. M. Freeman & Co. .... 9% 100.44  
H. B. Boland & Co. .... 3.40 100.19

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bonds sold last November to C. F. Childs & Co. and Sherwood & Co., both of New York, jointly as 1.70s, at 100.41—v. 154, p. 1279—are dated Dec. 1, 1941, and mature Dec. 1 as follows: \$1,500 from 1942 to 1949 incl.; \$2,000 in 1950 and 1951, and \$1,500 from 1952 to 1959 incl.

#### Nassau County (P. O. Mineola), N. Y.

**Refunding Issue Approved**—Joseph V. O'Leary, State Comptroller, recently approved the county's request for permission to issue \$1,000,000 refunding bonds. Although refunding to that extent has been effected by the county in the past, the county has adopted a new financial program which will reduce the amount to \$500,000 starting in 1942, according to report.

#### New York (State of)

**Reduction In Income Taxes And Embargo On Bond Issues Feature Governor's Message**—Outstanding points in the annual budget message delivered by Governor Herbert H. Lehman to the Legislature Jan. 26 were:

The presentation of a budget of \$380.7 million for the next fiscal year. This is \$5.0 million below appropriations for the current year and \$13.5 million below the budget for the year ending last June 30. The proposed budget includes \$5.0 million for war and defense items, \$3.3 million for an increase in debt service, \$3.1 million for higher cost of food and fuel, and \$1.5 million for mandatory salary increments.

The recommended 25% reduction in personal income taxes payable this spring and in the spring of 1943. This reduction and the elimination of the emergency 1% tax on personal incomes already abolished at the Governor's suggestion will save taxpayers \$86.6 million during the fiscal years 1942 and 1943. In connection with this recommendation the Governor said:

"The surplus from the gratifyingly successful financial operations of the fiscal year 1941 proved to be a source of timely assistance. We have no accumulated deficit from previous years to contend with. Several of our important taxes may be expected to show somewhat increased yields. As the result of the interaction of these various factors, the financial outlook is sufficiently good to make it possible for me to recommend that taxes on personal incomes earned during 1941 (returns for which will be filed April 15, 1942) be reduced by 25%, this cut to be in addition to the relief afforded by the elimination of the emergency 1% tax on personal incomes, already abolished at my suggestion. I estimate that these measures alone will reduce the taxes that would otherwise have been payable before June 30, 1942, by the sum of \$41.0 million. Furthermore, I recommend that the next year's personal income taxes (on personal incomes earned during 1942, returns for which will be filed April 15, 1943) likewise be reduced by 25%. The savings to taxpayers during the fiscal year 1943 because of these 25% cuts in the personal income tax are estimated at \$22.6 million, not taking into account the abolished emergency 1% tax. The proposed percentage reduction in the personal income tax may be precisely stated as follows: My recommendation is that each person subject to the tax shall first calculate that tax according to the rate scale presently in force, and that he shall then reduce by 25% his payments (whether he pays his tax in a lump sum or according to the present installment plan), this percentage reduction to apply for a twenty-four month period, beginning with returns for the taxable year terminating on Dec. 31, 1941."

The recommended privilege of paying personal income taxes in four equal quarterly installments.

This would coincide with a shift of the opening date of the State's fiscal year from July 1st to April 1st and be effective in the spring of 1944. The Governor's statement in this respect, as contained in his message, was as follows:

"In the next place, I wish to indicate my willingness to cooperate with the Legislature in developing a plan whereby the fiscal year 1944 shall be made a nine-month year ending March 31, 1944, a plan which will, I understand, make it possible to extend to taxpayers the privilege of paying their income taxes in four equal quarterly installments beginning in April, 1944, and for years following without unfavorably affecting the year-end financial position of the treasury."

A recommended embargo for the period of the war on non-defense outlays from borrowed money. On this point, the Governor said: "I propose that we postpone all non-defense construction projects from bond moneys, whether they be highway and parkway projects, grade-crossing elimination projects, or housing projects. This bond money should be conserved in anticipation of the time when it can be used without absorbing men and materials that should be diverted to the support of the war effort and to a time when it will supply opportunities for work in the post-war period for men who will otherwise be unemployed."

An assurance of ability to recommend the above income tax reductions in spite of a prospective \$60.0 million loss in gas tax and motor vehicle registration fees due to war rationing and restrictions.

An announcement of \$7.0 million cash surplus in the treasury at the end of the last fiscal year and an estimate, from existing revenues, of a \$26.4 million surplus for the current fiscal year and a \$9.6 million surplus for the fiscal year 1943. This prospective surplus of \$43.0 million by June 30, 1943, Governor Lehman proposed should "be left in the pockets of the taxpayers of the State by reducing the personal income taxes in both 1942 and 1943 by 25%."

A charge that the proposed scheme of permitting the deduction of Federal taxes from the State income tax base is a "rich man's" plan, in which 90% of the tax relief would accrue to the benefit of the 5.6% of the taxpayers reporting incomes above \$10,000. This proposal would reduce the taxes of a man with a \$1.0 million income 72%, but would reduce the taxes of the man with a \$5,000 income only 5%. Further, if the Federal tax deduction was permitted, the loss in yield of the State income tax, popularly estimated at \$9.0 million, would really amount in the fiscal year 1943 to approximately \$30.0 million.

A statement that the State's financial assistance to its political subdivisions will absorb 53 cents of every dollar of appropriations.

A presentation of Governor Lehman's eight-year financial record, during which budgetary revenues have (a) produced surpluses exceeding deficits by \$101.5 million, (b) met all accumulated deficits, (c) provided \$375.0 million for unemployment relief, (d) (will have) paid off by the end of fiscal year 1943 all except \$57.0 million of the unemployment relief bonds (aggregating \$215.0 million), (e) left \$7.0 million cash surplus in the treasury at the end of fiscal year 1941, and (f) enabled him, in spite of a prospective \$60.0 million loss in gas tax and motor vehicle fees, to recommend, for the relief of taxpayers now burdened with new heavy loads occasioned by the national emergency, a 25% reduction in personal income taxes in each of the years 1942 and 1943.

#### Oswego, N. Y.

**May Issue Bonds**—Mayor John

J. Scanlon is making a survey to determine whether the citizens are in favor of his pay-as-you-go policy, which would provide a tax rate of about \$4.23, or of a bond issue of about \$110,000 for roads and home relief, which would permit a tax rate of approximately \$3.75. Mayor Scanlon had the "pay-as-you-go" policy as a major campaign plank, but explained that in view of the war situation, his administration will be influenced by the taxpayers' feelings in the matter at the present time. The cash basis program is in the 1942 city budget, but this can be eliminated as no final decision will be made on the budget until a public hearing Feb. 3.

#### Port Of New York Authority, N. Y.

**Plans Sale Of \$5,000,000 Bonds To State Funds**—The Port Authority has authorized an issue of \$5,000,000 general and refunding bonds to provide funds for completion of the North Tube of the Lincoln Tunnel. It is expected that the bonds will be sold to State funds of both New York and New Jersey. The issue will be the third instalment of the fifth series of 3 1/4% bonds, which mature in 1977, and will be sold by the Port Authority at a price of 99, making a net interest cost of approximately 3.30%.

#### Quogue, N. Y.

**Bond Sale**—The Seaside Bank, of Westhampton Beach, purchased on Jan. 23 an issue of \$30,000 bridge approach bonds as 1.90s, at a price of 100.033, a basis of about 1.89%. Dated Feb. 1, 1942. Denom. \$500. Due \$3,000 on Feb. 1 from 1944 to 1952 incl. Prin. and int. (F-A) payable at the Seaside Bank, Westhampton Beach, in New York exchange. Second high bid of 100.33 for 2s was made by the First National Bank of Southampton.

#### Rome, N. Y.

**May Vote on Large School Bond Issue**—It is reported that the Board of Education may request an election on the question of issuing \$500,000 bonds to pay the city's share of a \$2,500,000 school building and improvement program, toward which a Federal grant of \$2,000,000 has been offered.

#### Utica, N. Y.

**Seeks Legislative Approval Of Financing Program**—Bartle Gorham, Corporation Counsel of the city, has favored us with the following analysis of the purposes and intent of the various measures on which Mayor Corru and other members of the municipal administration recently conferred with legislative leaders at Albany.

"The legislation that the City of Utica seeks at Albany comes under three specific heads: (1) permission to finance its home relief in full by bonds; (2) permission to bond certain unpaid taxes preceding the last fiscal year, and (3) permission to bond certain deficiencies in 1941 revenues.

"The first matter, the financing of home relief by bonding, is a matter that the city has always sought because of the fact that we adopted several years ago a specific debt reduction program by local law which prohibits us from issuing in any one year bonds in excess of 75% of those paid off or to be paid off in that particular year. The purpose of the Legislature in seeking to place home relief on a pay as you go system was to accomplish debt reduction in the cities and inasmuch as the City of Utica is steadily accomplishing that by its own particular plan, we have adhered to the policy of financing home relief by bonds.

"The second bill concerns certain taxes of corporations in reorganization proceedings for the years 1935 to 1940, which delinquencies were not reported by the Treasurer to the Common Council as available for bonds in the

fiscal year succeeding their due date. The City Charter prohibits the sale of bonds on account of unpaid taxes except for those unpaid during the preceding fiscal year. Inasmuch as this was a clerical error, which came to our attention only in the summer of 1941, we are now seeking to do what we could have done under our Charter had the officer in charge not mistakenly misunderstood the law.

"The third program is to amortize over five years a deficiency in estimated revenues which arose during the year 1941. This deficiency arose primarily out of the expectancy of tax delinquent property which was somewhat impeded by the refusal of local loan institutions to loan against the same. A test case is now in progress in the Court of Appeals which we expect to have decided within the next few weeks, and if decided favorably to the city, will undoubtedly result in the city being able to place back on its tax rolls some 1800 pieces of property which have been tax delinquent for several years."

#### Yonkers, N. Y.

**Bond Offering**—W. A. Schubert, City Comptroller, will receive sealed bids until noon on Feb. 3, for the purchase of \$2,157,000 not to exceed 6% interest bonds, as follows:

\$1,300,000 debt equalization bonds, series of 1941. Due Feb. 1, as follows: \$35,000 in 1947; \$65,000, 1948; \$150,000, 1949 to 1953 incl.; \$200,000, 1954; \$150,000 in 1955, and \$100,000 in 1956. Issued to refund bonds maturing during the fiscal year 1942.

372,000 general bonds of 1942, issued to pay the city's share of the cost of public improvement work relief projects. Due Feb. 1, as follows: \$67,000 in 1943; \$65,000 from 1944 to 1947 incl., and \$5,000 from 1948 to 1956 incl.

163,000 general bonds of 1942, series I, issued to pay a portion of the local share of home relief for the fiscal year, commencing Jan. 1, 1942. Due Feb. 1, as follows: \$13,000 in 1943; \$15,000 from 1944 to 1949 incl., and \$20,000 from 1950 to 1952 incl.

100,000 water bonds of 1942. Due \$5,000 on Feb. 1 from 1943 to 1962 incl.

26,000 land acquisition bonds of 1942. Due Feb. 1, as follows: \$6,000 in 1943, and \$5,000 from 1944 to 1947 incl.

57,000 assessment bonds of 1942, issued to pay a portion of the the amount to be assessed against the property benefited, of certain improvements. Due Feb. 1, as follows: \$10,000 from 1943 to 1947 incl., and \$7,000 in 1948.

128,000 local improvement bonds of 1942, issued to pay a portion of the cost to the city of certain improvements. Due Feb. 1, as follows: \$20,000 from 1943 to 1947 incl.; \$10,000 in 1948 and 1949, and \$4,000 in 1950 and 1951.

11,000 equipment bonds of 1942. Due Feb. 1, as follows: \$2,000 from 1943 to 1946 incl., and \$3,000 in 1947.

All of the bonds will be dated Feb. 1, 1942. Denom. \$1,000. Coupon in form, exchangeable at the option of the holder for a bond or bonds registered as to both principal and interest. Prin. and int. (A-O) payable at the City Comptroller's office, or, at the option of the holder, at the First National Bank of Boston. Bidders are requested to name the rate of interest to be borne by each of the several issues of bonds, stated in a multiple of 1/4 or 1/10th of 1%, but not exceeding 6%. Bidders will be permitted to name different rates on the respective issues, but not more than one rate for any one issue. No bid will be accepted for separate issues or separate maturities, or at less than the par value of the bonds. A certified check for \$43,140, pay-

able to order of the City Comptroller, must accompany each proposal. In the event that prior to the delivery of the bonds the income received by private holders from bonds of the same type and character shall be taxable by the terms of any Federal income tax law, the successful bidder may, at his election, be relieved of his obligations under the contract to purchase the bonds and in such case the deposit accompanying his bid will be returned.

The bonds will be valid and legally binding obligations of the city, and the city will have power and will be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the city for the payment of the bonds and interest thereon, without limitation of rate or amount. The opinion of Hawkins, Delafield & Longfellow, of New York City, to this effect will be furnished to the successful bidder. The bonds will be prepared under the supervision of and authenticated as to genuineness by The First National Bank of Boston and a duplicate original legal opinion and a certified photostatic copy of the transcript of proceedings will be filed with the bank where they may be inspected. The bonds will be delivered to the purchaser on or about Feb. 16, 1942, at The First National Bank of Boston, 67 Milk St., Boston, or, at the option of the purchaser, at the principal office of The New York Trust Company, in New York City.

#### NORTH CAROLINA

##### Clarkton, N. C.

**Bond Offering**—Sealed bids will be received until 11 a.m. (EST), on Feb. 3, by W. E. Easterling, Secretary of the Local Government Commission, at his office in Raleigh, for the purchase of \$5,000 public improvement bonds. Dated Feb. 1, 1942. Due \$500 from Feb. 1, 1943 to 1952, incl., without option. Denom. \$500. Prin. and int. (F-A) payable in lawful money at Waccamaw Bank and Trust Company in Clarkton; coupon bonds registerable as to principal only; general obligations; unlimited tax; delivery at place of purchaser's choice.

Bidders are requested to name the interest rate or rates, not exceeding six per cent annum in multiples of one-fourth of 1%. Each bid may name one rate for part of the bonds (having the earliest maturities) and another rate for the balance, but no bid may name more than two rates, and each bidder must specify in his bid the amount of bonds of each rate. The bonds will be awarded to the bidder offering to purchase the bonds at the lowest interest cost to the town, such cost to be determined by deducting the total amount of the premium bid from the aggregate amount of interest upon all of the bonds until their respective maturities. No bid of less than par and accrued interest will be entertained.

Bids must be accompanied by a certified check upon an incorporated bank or trust company, payable unconditionally to the order of the State Treasurer for \$100. The right to reject all bids is reserved. The approving opinion of Reed, Hoyt, Washburn & Clay, New York City, will be furnished the purchaser.

In the event that prior to the delivery of the bonds the income received by private holders from bonds of the same type and character shall be taxable by the terms of any Federal income tax law, the successful bidder may, at his election, be relieved of his obligations under the contract to purchase the bonds and, in such case, the deposit accompanying his bid will be returned.

##### Marshall, N. C.

**Bond Offering**—Sealed bids will be received until 11 a.m. (EST), on Feb. 3, by W. E. Easterling, Secretary of the Local Government Commission, at his office in Raleigh, for the purchase



**VIRGINIA***Alexandria, Va.*

**Bonds Not Sold**—The \$750,000 2½% coupon semi-ann. public improvement bonds offered on Jan. 26—v. 155, p. 150—were not sold, according to Carl Budwesky, City Manager. He states that after careful consideration of all bids received, the City Council on Jan. 27 notified those firms which had submitted tenders that all bids had been rejected. A group composed of Alex. Brown & Sons, Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Kaiser & Co. had submitted the highest bid of 101.28 for a fixed interest rate of 2½%, and, it is understood, had sold all but a few of the bonds, subject, of course, to the official award. These sales must now be canceled.

It was pointed out in municipal bond circles that the Alexandria sale had suffered the full impact of the unsettlement caused by Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau's suggestions made on last Saturday that outstanding State and municipal bonds should be made subject to Federal income tax levies.

*Port of Pasco (P. O. Pasco), Wash.*

**Bond Offering Postponed**—Reina M. Osburn, County Treasurer, states that the offering of the following construction bonds, originally scheduled for sale on Jan. 27—v. 155, p. 255—has been postponed until Feb. 10: \$69,000 School District No. 400, \$41,000 School District No. 401, and \$50,000 School District No. 402 bonds. Interest rate is not to exceed 6%. Dated March 2, 1942.

**Spokane Sch. Dist. (P. O. Spokane), Wash.**

**Bond Offering**—Sealed bids will be received until 8 p.m. on Feb. 6, by Darrell E. Pepot, Secretary of the Port Commissioners, for the purchase of \$24,000 special fund revenue bonds. Interest rate is not to exceed 5%, payable J-J. Due in 23 years.

**Bond Election**—We understand that an election has been called for March 10, to submit to the voters \$110,000 trade school bonds.

*Washington*

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

**Bond Sale**—The \$45,000 5% coupon semi-ann. assessment bonds offered for sale Jan. 29—v. 155, p. 408—were purchased by H. P. Pratt & Co. of Seattle, the only bidder, according to J. R. Heath, District Supervisor.

**Kitsap County School Districts (P. O. Port Orchard), Wash.**

**Bond Offering Postponed**—Reina M. Osburn, County Treasurer, states that the offering of the following construction bonds, originally scheduled for sale on Jan. 27—v. 155, p. 255—has been postponed until Feb. 10: \$69,000 School District No. 400, \$41,000 School District No. 401, and \$50,000 School District No. 402 bonds. Interest rate is not to exceed 6%. Dated March 2, 1942.

**Port of Pasco (P. O. Pasco), Wash.**

**Bond Offering**—Sealed bids will be received until 8 p.m. on Feb. 6, by Darrell E. Pepot, Secretary of the Port Commissioners, for the purchase of \$24,000 special fund revenue bonds. Interest rate is not to exceed 5%, payable J-J. Due in 23 years.

**Redemption Calls and Sinking Fund Notices**

Below will be found a list of corporate bonds, notes, and preferred stocks called for redemption, including those called under sinking fund provisions. The date indicates the redemption or last date for making tenders, and the page number gives the location in which the details were given in the "Chronicle."

Company and Issue	Date	Page
Abbott Laboratories 4½% preferred stock	Feb 11	*
Alabama Power Co. 1st & refunding mortgage 4½% bonds, due 1967	Mar 10	*
First & refunding mortgage 5% bonds, due 1968	Mar 10	*
First mtge. lien & refunding 5% bonds, due 1956	May 1	*
First mtge. lien & refunding 5% bonds, due 1951	Jun 1	*
Allied Owners Corp. first lien cumulative income bonds, due July 1, 1958	Jan 31	153
Amer., British & Continental Corp. 5% debts, due 1953	Feb 1	11373
Appleton Company preferred stock	Feb 2	1857
Atlas Imperial Diesel Engine Co. 6% gold notes of 1930	Mar 1	1590
Autocar first mortgage 7%, due 1947	May 1	1258
(B. F.) Avery & Sons Co. 5% notes, due 1947	Apr 1	*
Bausch Machine Tool Co. 8% bonds of 1921	Mar 1	11590
Bloedel Donovan Lumber Mills, 6% serial bonds, due 1943 and 1944	Feb 1	359
Brooklyn Borough Gas Co. 1st mtge. 4s, due 1965	Feb 1	154
Burlington Mills Corp. \$2.75 preferred stock	Mar 2	397
Central of Georgia Ry. equip. trust c'tfs., series S	Apr 1	48
Central Pacific Ry. first refunding mortgage bonds	Feb 27	154
Central States Edison, Inc. 15-year coll. trust bonds	Feb 24	11697
Chesapeake & Ohio Ry. refunding and improvement mortgage 3½% bonds, series E, due 1996	Feb 1	11697
Cinc. Gas & Elec. Co. 3 ¼% 1st mtge. bonds, due 1966	Feb 1	48
Connecticut River Power Co. 1st mtge. 3 ¾% bonds, due 1961	Feb 15	261
Continental Oil Co. 2 ¾% debenture, due 1948	Feb 4	11698
Denver & Rio Grande Western RR. trustees' c'tfs. of indebtedness, series H, of 1941	Feb 1	11727
Equity Corp. 5% debentures	Feb 1	11191
Equity Corp.-Amer., British & Cont. debts, due 1953	Feb 1	11376
Federal Light & Traction Co. 6% bonds, due 1954	Jun 1	11377
Gandy Bridge Co. 1st mortgage 5 ½%, due 1957	Feb 1	88
Hotel Syracuse, Inc., 1st mortgage bonds, due 1955	Mar 1	*
International Paper Co. refunding mortgage s. f. 6% bonds, series A, due 1955	Mar 1	*
Kentucky Power & Light Co. first mortgage 5 ½%, series B, due 1948	Mar 1	363
Lefcourt Realty Corp. preferred and common stocks	Jan 31	1700
Lexington Ry. Co. 1st mtge. 5% bonds, due 1949	Feb 1	53
Lexington Water Power Co. 1st mtge. 5% gold bonds, series due 1968	Feb 25	191
Lexington Water Power Co. 5 ½% convertible sinking fund gold debentures, due 1953	Feb 20	157
Lincoln Mortgage Co. 10-year 5% debts, due 1948	Mar 1	*
Loew's, Inc. \$6.50 preferred stock	Feb 15	191
Loew's Inc. 3 ½% s.f. debentures, due 1946	Feb 16	11700
Lukens Steel Co. first mortgage 8% bonds (ext. at 5% to 1955)	Jan 30	53
Mississippi Power Co. 5% bonds, due 1955	Mar 1	1752
Montana Power Co. 1st & ref. mtge. 3 ¾%, due 1966	Feb 10	192
National Distillers Products Corp. 10-year 3 ½% debts	Mar 1	*
National Fireproofing Corp. 1st mortgage 5 ½%, series A, due 1946	54	*
Niagara Falls Power Co. 1st & ref. mtge. 3 ½% of 1936	Mar 1	*
North American Co. 3 ½% debentures, due 1949	Feb 1	364
3 ¾% debentures, due 1954	Feb 1	364
4% debentures, due 1959	Feb 1	364
Northwestern Light & Power Co. 1st mortgage 6s, series B, due 1950	Feb 1	55
Oklahoma Gas & Electric Co. 4% debts, due 1946	Feb 1	1701
Pacific Western Oil Corp. 3 ½% s.f. debts, due 1949	Feb 1	55
Parr Shoals Power Co. 1st mtge. 5s, due 1952	Apr 1	*
Peoples Gas Light & Coke Co. first consolidated mortgage (non-callable) 6% bonds, due 1943	†	1159
Philadelphia Electric Co. \$5 preferred stock	Feb 1	91
Phila. Elec. Power Co. 1st mtge. 5 ½% bonds, due 1972	Feb 1	1702
Philadelphia Rapid Transit Co. 5-6% bonds	Feb 6	366
Reliance Mfg. Co. of Illinois preferred stock	Apr 1	308

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**WEST VIRGINIA***West Virginia (State of)*

**Bond Sale**—The \$1,000,000 coupon or registered semi-ann. road bonds offered for sale on Jan. 27—v. 155, p. 312—were awarded jointly to Phelps, Fenn & Co. of New York, and A. E. Masten & Co. of Pittsburgh, at par, a net interest cost of about 1.73%, for \$960,000 as 1 ¾%, due \$40,000 on April 1 in 1942 to 1965, the remaining \$40,000 as 1 ½%, due on April 1, 1966.

**Bonds Offered for Investment**

The successful bidders reoffered the above bonds for public subscription, the 1 ¾% at prices to yield from 0.40% to 1.75%, according to maturity, and the 1 ½% at a price of 96.00. The bankers stated that the offering met with very satisfactory demand.

**Bridge Bonds Sold**

An issue of \$1,040,000 3% coupon semi-ann. Silver Bridge Revenue Project No. 5 bonds was purchased recently by a syndicate composed of Nelson, Browning & Co., Charles A. Hinsch & Co., and Magnus & Co., all of Cincinnati. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Dec. 1, 1941. Due on Dec. 1, as follows: \$28,000 in 1942, \$29,000 in 1943, \$31,000 in 1944 and 1945, \$32,000 in 1946, \$33,000 in 1947, \$34,000 in 1948, \$35,000 in 1949, \$36,000 in 1950, \$37,000 in 1951, \$38,000 in 1952, \$40,000 in 1953 and 1954, \$42,000 in 1955, \$43,000 in 1956, \$45,000 in 1957, and \$466,000 in 1966. Bonds maturing on Dec. 1, 1966, are callable on 30 days' notice by lot on any interest payment date as follows: June 1, 1947, through Dec. 1, 1951, at 103; June 1, 1952, through Dec. 1, 1956, at 102; June 1, 1957, through Dec. 1, 1961, at 101; and June 1, 1962, and thereafter at par. Prin. and int. payable at the State Treasurer's office, or at the National City Bank, New York. Registerable as to principal only. Issued under authority of Article 17, Chapter 17, of the Official Code of West Virginia, 1931, and Laws supplemental thereto.

**Bridge Bond Call**—It is stated by State Road Commissioner Ernest L. Bailey that bridge bonds Nos. 183-5, 188-9, 194-5, 199-201, 205, 209, 212, 217, 219-20, 222, 224, 226, 232, 240, 242, 245-6, 250, 253-4, 256-9, 267, 270, 273, 276, 280, 294, 297, and 299, are called for payment on March 1, at the National City Bank, New York City. Issue of March 1, 1940. Interest ceases on March 1, 1942.

Name of Company	Per share	When Payable	Holders of Rec.
Republic Steel Corp. general mortgage 4 ½% bonds, series B, due 1961	Feb 1	1	\$1600
Richmond Term. Ry. 1st mtge. 3 ¾% bonds, due 1965	Mar 1	1	*
Safe Harbor Water Pwr. Corp. 1st mtge. 4 ½%, due 1979	Feb 4	4	92
St. Joseph Ry., Light, Heat & Power 1st mortgage 4 ½%, due 1947	Feb 1	1	\$1731
Salmon River Power Co. first mortgage 5s	Feb 1	1	1964
Smith & Wesson, Inc. 1st mortgage 5 ½%, due 1948	July 1	1	56
Southern Pacific Co.-San Fran. Term. 1st mtge. bonds	Feb 27	31	367
Southern Pacific RR. first refunding mortgage bonds	Feb 27	1	160
Superior Water, Light & Power Co. first consolidated mortgage gold bonds, due 1965	May 1	1	270
Tampa Gas Co. 1st mortgage 5 ½%, due 1956	Jan 31	31	367
1st mortgage 5s, due 1961	Jan 31	31	367
Terre Haute Traction & Light Co. first consolidated mortgage 5% gold bonds, due 1944	May 1	1	\$1704
Texas Gas Utilities Co. 1st mortgage bonds	Feb 10	1	*
Union Oil Co. of California 20-year 6% bonds, series A, due May 1, 1942	Jan 31	31	367
United Light & Power Co. first lien and consolidated 5 ½%, due 1959	Feb 10	1	195
Warner Bros. Pictures, Inc. 6% debentures, 1948	Feb 2	2	368
West Penn Traction Co. 1st mtge. 5% bonds, due 1960	Feb 6	6	368
West Suburban Hospital Association first mortgage bonds, due 1945	Feb 1	1	195
West Virginia Pulp & Paper Co. first mortgage 3% bonds, due 1954	Feb 2	2	\$1602
Western Public Service Co. (Md.) first mortgage and refunding 5 ½% bonds, due 1960	Feb 2	2	162
Westvaco Chlorine Products Corp. \$4.50 pref. stock	Feb 1	1	162
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**DIVIDENDS**

Dividends are grouped in two separate tables. In the first we bring together all the dividends announced the current week. Then we follow with a second table in which we show the dividends previously announced, but which have not yet been paid. Further details and record of past dividend payments in many cases are given under the company name in our "General Corporation and Investment News Department" in the week when declared.

The dividends announced this week are:

Name of Company	Per Share	When Payable	Holders of Rec.
Abercrombie & Fitch Co., common	50c	1-24	1-17
Allied Kid Co. (quar.)	25c	2-15	2-10
Aloe (A. S.) Co. (irreg.)	50c	2-2	1-23
Alpha Portland Cement	25c	3-25	3-2
American Arch Co. (irreg.)	25c	2-28	2-18
American Automobile Insurance (St. Louis) (quar.)	25c	3-15	3-1
American Can Co. 7% preferred (quar.)	\$1 ¼	4-1	3-16
American & Foreign Power, \$6 preferred	130c	3-16	2-25
#7 preferred	135c	3-16	2-25
American Furniture Co. (quar.)	3c	2-14	2-12
American Metal Co., Ltd., common	25c	3-2	2-20
6% preferred (quar.)	\$1 ½	3-2	2-20
American Radiator & Standard Sanitary Corp., common	15c	3-31	2-27
7% preferred (quar.)	\$1 ¼	3-1	2-20
American Re-Insurance Co. (quar.)	40c	2-14	2-4
Extra	10c	2-14	2-4
American Rolling Mill (reduced)	25c	3-14	2-14
American Steel Foundries (irregular)	50c	3-16	2-28
American Tobacco Co., common (irreg.)	\$1	3-3	2-10
Common B (irreg.)	\$1	3-3	2-10
Armstrong Cork Co. (interim)	25c	3-2	2-9
4% convertible preferred (quar.)	\$1	3-16	3-2
Atlantic Refining Co. (quar.)	25c	3-16	2-20
Aunor Gold Mines, Ltd.	14c	3-3	2-14
Autocar Trucks, common (initial)	\$1	2-16	2-5
Participating preferred (irreg.)	\$3	2-16	2-5
Baldwin Locomotive Works, 7% pref. (s-a)	\$1.05	3-2	2-14
Beaumont Mills, Inc., common (irreg.)	25c	3-1	2-16
\$1.50 convertible preferred (quar.)	37½c	3-1	2-16
Belding-Corticelli, Ltd. (extra)	18c	3-2	2-14
Belding Hemingway Co. (quar.)	30c	3-3	2-4
Berkshire Fine Spinning Assn., common	25c	2-2	1-23
\$5 convertible preferred (quar.)	\$1 ¼	3-2	2-20
\$7 preferred (quar.)	\$1 ¾	3-2	2-20
Berland Shoe Stores, common (quar.)	12½c	2-16	2-10
7% preferred (quar.)	\$1 ¼	2-16	2-10
Bethlehem Steel Corp., common	\$1 ½		

Name of Company	Per Share	When Payable	Holders of Rec.	Name of Company	Per Share	When Payable	Holders of Rec.	Name of Company	Per Share	When Payable	Holders of Rec.
Borden Co. (interim)	30c	3-2	2-16	Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Co. (Greensboro, N. C.) (s-a)	40c	1-30	1-26	Securities Acceptance Corp., com. (quar.)	20c	4-1	3-10
Boss Manufacturing Co.	\$3	2-25	2-14	Jersey Insurance Co. (N. Y.) (s-a)	\$1	2-14	2-3	6% preferred (quar.)	37½c	4-1	3-10
Brentano's Book Stores, Inc.				Johnson Automatics, Inc. (Inland)	25c	2-28	2-20	Shatterproof Glass Corp. (quar.)	12½c	2-5	1-23
\$1.60 class A (quar.)	40c	2-2	1-28	Kable Bros. Co., com. (quar.)	5c	1-31	1-31	Sherwin-Wiliams Co.	75c	2-16	1-31
Briggs' Scranton Corp.	75c	3-16	3-2	6% preferred (quar.)	\$1½	2-15	2-15	5½ preferred AAA (quar.)	1½	3-2	9-14
Brooklyn Edison Co. com. (quar.) (reduced)	\$1¾	2-28	2-6	Kansas City Life Ins. Co. (Mo.) (s-a)	\$8	1-19	1-19	Sioux City G. & E., 7% preferred (quar.)	\$1¼	2-10	1-31
Prefeered (quar.)	\$1¼	8-2	2-6	Kansas City Stock Yards (Mo.)				Slyver Steel Castings Co.	50c	2-2	2-3
Bunker Hill & Sullivan Mining & Concentrating Co. (quar.)	25c	3-3	2-13	5% preferred (quar.)	\$1½	2-1	1-20	South Carolina Power Co.	\$1½	4-1	3-16
Business Capital Corp.				Kendall Co. \$6 part. preferred A (quar.)	\$1½	3-1	2-10	Southwestern Life Ins. Co. (Dallas) (quar.)	35c	4-15	4-13
Class A common (irreg.)	10½c	1-31	1-24	K mney (G. R.) Co., Inc. \$5 pror. preferred	\$1½	2-25	2-11	Stamford Water Co. (quar.)	40c	2-16	2-6
Byers' (A. M.) Co., 7% preferred (Representing the quarterly dividend of \$1.40 due Aug. 1, 1939 and interest accrued to March 2, 1942)	\$1.975	3-2	2-14	Lake of the Woods Milling Co., Ltd. Common (interim)	130c	3-2	2-14	Standard Cap & Seal			
California Water Service Co. 6% preferred A (quar.)	37½c	2-15	1-31	7% preferred (quar.)	\$1½	3-2	2-14	\$1.60 convertible preferred (quar.)	40c	3-2	2-16
6% preferred B (quar.)	37½c	2-15	1-31	Lands Machine Co., com. (quar.) (ncr'sd)	25c	2-16	2-5	Standard Coated Products Corp., \$1 pref.	10c	3-20	3-10
Canada Dry-Ginger Ale (quar.)	15c	3-9	2-24	Quarterly	25c	5-15	5-5	Standard Dredging Corp.			
Canada Foundries & Forgings, Ltd. Class A (quar.)	137½c	8-16	3-2	7% preferred (quar.)	25c	8-15	8-5	\$1.60 convertible preferred (quar.)	40c	3-2	2-17
Canada Vinegars, Ltd. (quar.)	11uc	3-2	2-14	Quarterly	25c	11-16	11-5	Standard Oil Co. (Indiana) (quar.)	25c	3-16	2-14
Canada Wire & Cable Co., Ltd. 6½% preferred (quar.)	1\$1%	3-15	2-28	Quarterly	130c	3-15	3-5	Standard Products, Inc. (quar.)	95c	3-2	2-16*
Cedar Rapids Mfg. & Power Co. (quar.)	150c	3-15	2-28	Quarterly	130c	6-15	6-5	Storkne Furniture Corp. (quar.)	12½c	2-23	2-16
Central Indiana Gas Co. 6½% preferred (Payment covers six quarterly periods from July 1, 1932, to Jan. 1, 1934)	75c	2-14	1-31	Quarterly	130c	12-15	12-5	Stromberg-Carlson Tel. Mfg. Co.			
Central Railway Signal, pref. class A (quar.)	\$9¾	1-1	12-20	Lane Bryant, Inc. (quar.)	25c	3-2	2-13	6½% preferred (quar.)	\$1½	3-2	2-9
Charis Corp.	\$1	2-2	1-26	Laura Secord Candy Shops, Ltd. (quar.)	20c	3-2	2-15	Swan Finch Oil Corp. 6% pref. (quar.)	37½c	3-2	2-16
Chicago Wilmington & Franklin Coal Co. 6% preferred (quar.)	15c	2-14	2-3	Lincoln Natl. Life Ins. Co. (Ft. Wayne) Quarterly	30c	2-1	1-26	Swift International Co., Ltd. Deposit receipts (specia)	50c	3-1	2-15
Chilton Co.	10c	2-13	2-3	Extra	20c	2-1	1-26	Deposit receipts (specia)	50c	3-1	2-15
Cincinnati Inter-Term. RR. Co. 4% preferred (s-a)				Extra	30c	5-1	4-25	Syracuse Trans. Corp. (initial)	75c	3-2	2-13
Colonial Stores, Inc. common (quar.)	\$2	2-2	1-20	Extra	30c	8-1	7-25	Tampa Electric Co. com. Preferred A (quar.)	45c	2-16	2-2
Commonwealth Utilities 6½% preferred C (quar.)	25c	3-1	2-20	Manufacturers Casualty Inc. Co. (quar.)	125c	3-2	2-10	Texas Gulf Producing Co.	10c	2-21	2-13
Connagis Mines, Ltd. (irreg.)	110c	2-26	2-10	Manufacturers Casualty Inc. Co. (quar.)	125c	3-2	2-10	Texas Pacific Coal & Oil Co. (quar.)	10c	3-2	2-9
Connecticut Light & Power Co. \$2.40 preferred (new) \$2.20 preferred (new)				Manufacturers Casualty Inc. Co. (quar.)	125c	3-2	2-10	Tide Water Assn. Oil (quar.) Extra	10c	3-2	2-9
Connecticut Power Co. (quar.)	23-8/10c	3-1	2-5	Manufacturers Casualty Inc. Co. (quar.)	125c	3-2	2-10	United Aircraft Products, com. 5% convertible preferred (new initial)	25c	3-16	2-26
Consolidated Edison Co. of N. Y., Inc. 5% preferred A (quar.)	62½c	3-1	2-20	Manufacturers Casualty Inc. Co. (quar.)	125c	3-2	2-10	5½% convertible preferred (quar.)	75c	3-2	2-16
Consolidated Paper Co.				Manufacturers Casualty Inc. Co. (quar.)	125c	3-2	2-10	United Engineering & Foundry			
Continental Cushion Spring (quar.) Extra	\$1½	3-1	2-5	Manufacturers Casualty Inc. Co. (quar.)	125c	3-2	2-10	Common (irregular) 7% preferred (quar.)	75c	3-3	2-20
Continental Diamond Fibre (quar.)	68½c	3-1	2-5	Manufacturers Casualty Inc. Co. (quar.)	125c	3-2	2-10	United Gas Corp. \$7 preferred	1\$2½c	3-2	2-6
Continental Light & Power Co. 5½% preferred (final)	20c	2-17	2-5	Manufacturers Casualty Inc. Co. (quar.)	125c	3-2	2-10	United Gas Improvement, com. \$5 preferred (quar.)	15c	3-31	2-27
Cook Paint & Varnish Co. common (quar.)	\$1½	3-1	2-5	Manufacturers Casualty Inc. Co. (quar.)	125c	3-2	2-10	United Life & Accident Ins. Co. (N. H.) (annual)	\$1½	3-31	2-27
Corrugated Paper Box, 7% preferred				Manufacturers Casualty Inc. Co. (quar.)	125c	3-2	2-10	United Public Service Corp. (specia)	\$1	2-5	1-31
Creameries of America, Inc. \$3.50 convertible preferred (quar.)				Manufacturers Casualty Inc. Co. (quar.)	125c	3-2	2-10	United Shoe Machinery Corp. (specia)	\$1½	2-25	2-3
Crown Cork & Seal, Ltd. (quar.)	50c	2-16	2-6	Manufacturers Casualty Inc. Co. (quar.)	125c	3-2	2-10	U. S. Leather Co. 7% prior preferred	\$1½	4-1	3-10
Crown Zellerbach Corp. \$5 convertible preferred (quar.)				Manufacturers Casualty Inc. Co. (quar.)	125c	3-2	2-10	U. S. Plywood Corp. \$1.50 convertible preferred (quar.)	37½c	2-28	2-14
Curtis Publishing Co. prior preferred (quar.)	75c	3-1	2-13	Manufacturers Casualty Inc. Co. (quar.)	125c	3-2	2-10	U. S. Steel Corp. common 7% preferred (quar.)	1½	2-20	2-20
Deere & Co. 7% pref. (quar.)	35c	3-2	2-14	Manufacturers Casualty Inc. Co. (quar.)	125c	3-2	2-10	Utilities Stock & Bond Corp. (s-a)	40c	3-2	2-20
Delaware Rayon, 7% non-cum. pref. (quar.)	\$1¾	1-20	1-15	Manufacturers Casualty Inc. Co. (quar.)	125c	3-2	2-10	Van Norman Machine Tool Co.	25c	3-20	3-10
Detroit Gasket & Mfg. 6% pref. (quar.)	30c	3-2	2-13	Midwest Piping & Supply (extra)	20c	2-14	2-6	Vanadium-Alloys Steel Co.	\$1	3-2	2-13
Diamond Ice & Coal, 7% pref. (quar.)	1\$1½	2-15	2-13	Mitchell (J. S.) & Co., Ltd.	25c	3-2	2-16	Virginia Coal & Iron (irregular)	50c	3-2	2-18
Diamond & Wing Paper Co. 5% pref. (quar.)	1\$1½	2-15	2-13	Monroe Chemical Co. \$3.50 pref. (quar.)	87½c	4-1	3-7	Vogt Manufacturing Corp. (quar.)	20c	3-2	2-13
Dixie-Vortex Co. class A (quar.)	62½c	4-1	3-10	Moore Drop Forging				Warren (Northam) Corp. \$3 pref. (quar.)	75c	2-23	2-14
Dodge Mfg. Corp. (Indiana), (quar.)	25c	2-16	2-7	6% non-cum. class A (quar.)	\$1½	2-2	1-20	Warren Foundry & Pipe Corp. (quar.)	50c	3-2	2-14
Dominion Bridge Co., Ltd. (quar.)	130c	2-25	1-31	Morse Twist Drill & Machine Co.	\$1½	2-15	2-19	Washington Ry. & Elec. Co. common Partic. units benef. ownership of com. stk.	25c	2-23	2-15
Dominion Envelope & Cartons (Western), Ltd. 7½ 1st preferred (quar.)				Motor Finance Corp. (quar.)	25c	2-28	2-14	Webster & Atlas Nat'l Bank (Boston) (s-a)	\$1	1-31	1-28
Durham Hosiery Mills, Inc. 6% preferred A (quar.)				Nashawau Mill (irregular)	75c	3-3	2-14	Welch Grape Juice, 7% preferred (quar.)	\$1½	2-28	2-14
Eastern Oregon Lgt. & Pwr. com. (annual) 7% preferred (annual)	\$1	2-1	1-22	Nashawau Gummed & Coated Paper (quar.)	50c	2-16	2-9	Wentworth Mfg. Co. \$1 conv. pref. (quar.)	25c	2-16	2-2
Eastern Shore Public Service Co. \$6 preferred (quar.)				National Acme Co. (irregular)	50c	2-25	2-11	Western Cartridge Co. 6% preferred (quar.)	\$1	3-2	2-14
Eaton Manufacturing Co.	\$1½	3-1	2-10	National Battery Co.	50c	4-1	2-18	Westinghouse Elec. & Mfg. 7% partic. pref	1½	2-20	1-31
Elgin National Watch Co.	25c	2-25	2-5	\$2.20 convertible preferred (quar.)	50c	4-1	2-24	Common	\$1	3-4	2-10
Employers Reinsurance Corp. (quar.)	25c	3-23	3-7	National Biscuit Co. common 7% preferred (quar.)	40c	4-15	3-17	Wheeling Steel Corp. common (irregular)	50c	3-16	2-13
Erie RR. \$5 pref. A (initial quan.)	40c	2-16	1-31	National Gypsum Co. \$4½ conv. pf. (quar.)	\$1½	2-28	2-13	\$5 convertible prior preferred (quar.)	1½	3-15	3-5
\$5 preferred A (quar.)				National Lead 7% pref. A (quar.)	\$1½	3-14	2-27	5½ prior preferred (quar.)	1½	3-15	3-5
\$5 preferred A (quar.)				National Union Fire Insurance Co. (s-a) Extra	\$1½	3-14	2-27	5% first preferred (s-a)	12½c	2-16	2-6
Fairbanks Morse & Co. (quar.) Extra	50c	3-3	2-11	Neptune Meter Co. 8% pref. (quar.)	\$1	3-2	2-9	5½ second preferred (s-a)	\$3½c	2-16	2-6
Falstaff Brewing Co.	15c	2-28	2-14	New Amsterdam Casualty Co. (N. Y.) (s-a)	\$2	2-15	2-1	Youngstown Sheet & Tube (quar.)	75c	R-14	2-14
Famous Players Canadian Corp. (quar.)	125c	2-27	2-14	New Britain Gas Light Co. (quar.)	47½c	3-2	2-9	5½% preferred (quar.)	\$1½	4-1	3-7
First State Pawners Society (Chi.) (quar.)	\$1½	3-31	3-21	New Jersey Zinc Co.	50c	3-10	2-20	Wilson Line, Inc. (s-a)	\$1	3-2	2-13
Fitz Simons & Connell Dredge & Dock Co. Common (quar.)	25c	3-1	2-18	New York & Queens Elec. Lt. & Pwr. Co. Common (reduced)	\$1½	3-14	2-20	Wolverine Tubs Co. 7% pref. (quar.)	\$1½	3-2	2-17
Florida Power Corp. 7% pref. A (quar.) 7% preferred (quar.)	1\$1½	3-1	2-13	\$2.20 convertible preferred (quar.)	50c	4-1	2-18	Worthington Pump & Machinery Co. 4½% convertible prior preferred (quar.)	\$1½	3-15	3-5
Fort Worth Stock Yards (irregular)	87½c	3-1	2-13	National Biscuit Co. common	40c	4-15	3-17	4½% prior preferred (quar.)	\$1½	3-15	3-5
Freepost Sulphur Co. (quar.)	50c	3-2	2-17	7% preferred (quar.)	50c	2-28	2-14	5% first preferred (s-a)	12½c	2-16	2-6
Fruhauf Trailer Co. common	35c	3-2	2-20	Northeast Meter Co. 8% pref. (quar.)	\$1½	3-19	2-28	5½ second preferred (s-a)	\$3½c	2-16	2-6
5% conv. preferred (quar.)	\$1½	3-2	2-20	New Amsterdam Casualty Co. (N. Y.) (s-a)	47½c	3-2	2-9	Youngstown Sheet & Tube (quar.)	75c	R-14	2-14
General Acceptance Corp. 7% conv. pref. (quar.)	35c	2-16</									

Name of Company	Per Share	When Payable	Holders of Rec.	Name of Company	Per Share	When Payable	Holders of Rec.	Name of Company	Per Share	When Payable	Holders of Rec.
Appalachian Electric Power Co.— 4 1/2% preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	2-2	1-9	City of N. Y. Insurance Co. (s-a)-----	65c	2-2	1-15	General Metals Corp. (initial s-a)-----	40c	2-14	1-31
Aplleton Co., common (irregular)----- 7% preferred (quar.)----- 7% convertible preferred (quar.)-----	50c	2-2	1-20	Cleveland Cinn. Chicago & St. Louis Ry.— Semi-annual, common -----	\$5	1-31	1-21	General Mills, Inc. (quar.)-----	\$1	2-2	1-9*
Associated Dry Goods, 6% first pref. (quar.)----- 7% second preferred-----	\$1 1/4	2-2	2-13	Coast Breweries, Ltd. (quar.)-----	\$1 1/4	2-2	1-15	General Motors Corp.— \$5 preferred (quar.)-----	\$1 1/4	2-2	1-12
Associated Insurance Fund, Inc. (s-a)----- Associated Telep. Co., Ltd., \$1/4 pref. (quar.)	10c	1-31	1-22	Cockshutt Plow Co., Ltd.-----	125c	6-18	6-4	General Outdoor Advertising— Common (resumed)-----	10c	4-15	4-1
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Ry. Co.— 5% non-cum. preferred (s-a)----- Common (year-end)-----	2 1/2	2-2	1-15	Colgate-Palmolive-Peet Co., common-----	12 1/2c	2-16	1-20	\$4 participating class A----- \$4 participating class A-----	11	2-16	2-2
Atlanta & Charlotte Air Line Ry. (s-a)----- Atlanta City Electric, \$6 preferred (quar.)----- Atlanta Rayon Corp., common (resumed)----- \$2.50 prior preference (quar.)----- \$2.50 prior preference (quar.)-----	\$4 1/2	3-2	2-13	Colorado Fuel & Iron-----	\$10 3/4	3-31	3-13	6% preferred (quar.)----- 6% preferred (quar.)-----	\$1	5-15	5-1
Atlanta Refining Co.— 4% convertible preferred A (quar.)----- Atlas Plywood Corp., common (quar.)----- \$1.25 preferred (quar.)----- Atlas Powder Co., 5% preferred (quar.)----- Auburn Central Mfg. Co., 4% pref. (initial)	\$1	2-2	1-5	Columbia Gas & Electric Corp.----- 6 1/2% preferred (quar.)-----	\$1 1/2	2-15	1-20	General Shoe Corp.----- General Steel Castings, \$6 conv. preferred-----	\$1 1/2	2-16	2-2
Avondale Mills, common----- Common----- Common----- Badger Paper Mills, 6% preferred (quar.)----- Baltimore American Insurance Co. (s-a)----- Extra-----	7c	2-1	1-23	Commonwealth Edison Co. (quar.)-----	45c	2-2	1-15	Georgia Home Insurance Co. (s-a)----- Extra-----	50c	2-2	1-22
Bangor Hydro-Electric Co. (quar.)----- Bank of Montreal (quar.)----- Bank of Toronto (quar.)----- Bankers & Shippers Ins. Co. of N. Y. (quar.)----- Barnsall Oil Co.-----	31c	2-2	1-23	Commonwealth Internat'l Corp., Ltd. (quar.)-----	40c	2-16	1-15	Gibraltar Fire & Marine Insurance Co. (s-a)----- Extra-----	15c	3-2	2-14
Bathurst Power & Paper Co., Ltd.— Class A (interim)----- Baystate National Bank of N. Y. (s-a)----- Extra-----	62 1/2c	2-2	1-25	Commonwealth Investment Co. (Del.) (quar.)-----	4c	2-1	1-14	Grace National Bank (N. Y.) (s-a)----- Granby Consolidated Mining, Smelting and	50c	20c	3-2
Beatty Brothers, Ltd., 6% first pref. (quar.)----- Bendix Aviation Corp.----- Benson & Hedges, \$2 conv. pref.----- Bertram (John) & Sons, Ltd. (s-a)----- Extra-----	\$1 1/4	2-2	1-20	Community Public Service-----	1 1/4	3-2	2-14	Power Co., Ltd. (quar.) pay. in U. S. funds----- Special, payable in U. S. funds-----	15c	3-2	2-13
Birtman Electric Co., common (quar.)----- 57 preferred (quar.)----- Blauener's (Phila.) (resumed)----- \$3 preferred (quar.)----- Blue Ribbon Corp., 5% preferred (quar.)----- Bon Ami Co., class A (quar.)----- Class B (quar.)----- Bonwit Teller, Inc., common----- 5 1/2% preferred (quar.)----- Boston Edison Co. (quar.)----- Boston Fund, Inc. (quar.)----- Extra-----	25c	2-2	1-15	Concord Gas Co., 7% preferred-----	50c	2-16	1-30	Graton & Knight Co., 7% preferred (quar.)----- \$1.80 prior preferred (s-a)-----	1 1/2	2-14	2-4
Boulevard Bank (Forest Hills, N. Y.) (s-a)----- Bourjouis, Inc., \$2.75 preferred (quar.)----- Bourne Mills----- Bower Roller Bearing----- Brager-Eisenberg (extra)----- Brandon Corp., 7% preferred (s-a)----- Bristol Silver Mines (initial)----- British American Tobacco Co., Ltd. (Amer. deposit receipts)-----	75c	2-2	1-21	Connecticut & Passumpsic Rivers RR. Co.----- 6% preferred (s-a)-----	\$3	2-1	1-1	Griesedieck Western Brewery Co.----- 5 1/2% convertible preferred (quar.)-----	3 1/2c	3-1	2-14
Final for fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1941----- Interim for year ending Sept. 30, 1942----- British Columbia Packers (initial)----- British Columbia Tel. Co.— 6% 2nd pref. (quar.)----- Broadway Department Stores, com. (irreg.)----- 5% preferred (quar.)-----	10c	2-16	1-31	Consolidated Chemical Industries, class A (quar.)-----	1 1/2c	3-2	2-16	Gulf Insurance Co. (Dallas, Texas)----- Additional-----	25c	4-1	1-10
Bronxville Tr. Co. (Bronxville, N. Y.) (quar.)----- Buck Hills Falls Co. (quar.)----- Buckeye Pipe Line----- Buckeye Steel Castings Co., 6% pref. (quar.)----- Buffalo Niagara & Eastern Power Corp.— \$5 preferred (quar.)----- Bullock Fund, Ltd. (irregular)----- Bullock's, Inc. (Los Angeles)----- 5% preferred (quar.)----- Burroughs Adding Machine----- Byers (A. M.) Co., 7% preferred (representing the quarterly dividend of \$1.75, due May 1, 1939, and interest thereon to Feb. 2, 1942)----- Canadian Bakeries, Ltd.----- 5% participating pref. (accumulated)----- Canadian Breweries, Ltd., \$2 pref. (accum.)----- Canadian Bronze, Ltd., common (quar.)----- Extra----- 5% preferred (quar.)----- Canadian Celanese, rights (irreg.)----- Canadian Converters Co., Ltd. (quar.)----- Canadian Foreign Securities Co., Ltd.----- Canadian Investment Fund, Ltd.----- Special shares----- Ordinary shares-----	1 1/2c	2-1	1-15	Consolidated Lobster (quar.)-----	5c	1-31	1-10	Hale Brothers Stores (quar.)----- Hamilton Watch Co., common-----	25c	7-1	1-10
Calgary Power Co., Ltd., 6% pref. (quar.)----- California Elec. Power Co., \$3 pref. (quar.)----- California Packing Corp., common----- 5% preferred (quar.)----- Canada Southern Ry. (s-a)----- Canadian Bakeries, Ltd.----- 5% participating pref. (accumulated)----- Canadian Breweries, Ltd., \$2 pref. (accum.)----- Canadian Bronze, Ltd., common (quar.)----- Extra----- 5% preferred (quar.)----- Canadian Celanese, rights (irreg.)----- Canadian Converters Co., Ltd. (quar.)----- Canadian Foreign Securities Co., Ltd.----- Canadian Investment Fund, Ltd.----- Special shares----- Ordinary shares-----	1 1/2c	2-1	1-21	Container Corp. of America-----	25c	3-3	2-5	Hammond Instrument Co., 6% pref. (quar.)----- Hanna (M. A.) Co., common-----	75c	2-16	2-2
Caroline Insurance Co. (s-a)----- Extra----- Castle (A. M.) & Co. (quar.)----- Extra----- Celotex Corp., common (quar.)----- 5% preferred (quar.)----- Central Arizona Light & Power Co.----- \$7 preferred (quar.)----- \$6 preferred (quar.)----- Central Hudson Gas & Electric, common----- Central N. Y. Power Corp., 5% pref. (quar.)----- Central Power & Light Co.— 7% preferred----- Accumulated----- 6% preferred----- Accumulated-----	65c	2-2	1-15	Continental Ill. Bank & Tr. Co. (Chic.) (s-a)-----	\$2	2-2	1-20	Hartford Electric Light (quar.)----- Hartford Times, 5 1/2% preferred (quar.)-----	68 1/2c	2-2	1-15
Century Ribbon Mills, Inc., 7% pref. (quar.)----- Century Shares Trust (irregular)----- Cerro de Pasco Copper Corp.----- Chain Belt Co.----- Chain Store Investment Corp.----- \$6.50 preferred (quar.)----- Champion Paper & Fibre, common----- 6% preferred (quar.)----- Chase National Bank (N. Y.) (s-a)----- Cherry-Burrell, common----- 5% preferred (quar.)----- Chicago Yellow Cab----- Chickasaw Cotton Oil Co. (quar.) (Quaterly)----- Chile Copper Co.----- Cinn., New Orleans & Texas Pacific Ry. Co.----- 5% preferred (quar.)----- 5% preferred (quar.)----- 5% preferred (quar.)----- Citizens' National Trust & Savings Bank (Los Angeles) (s-a)----- City Nat'l Bank & Trust Co. (Chic.) (quar.)----- Quarterly-----	1 1/2c	2-1	1-21	Continental Oil Co. (Del.) (quar.)-----	25c	3-3	2-4	Hawthorne Stores (quar.)----- Hedgehog Co., 6% pref. (quar.)-----	25c	3-2	2-16
City of N. Y. Insurance Co. (s-a)----- Cleveland Cinn. Chicago & St. Louis Ry.— Semi-annual, common -----	50c	2-2	1-20	Cookshutt Plow Co., Ltd.-----	125c	6-18	6-4	Heller Products Corp. (quar.)----- Henna (M. A.) Co., common-----	1 1/2c	2-16	2-4
Colgate-Palmolive-Peet Co., common----- \$4.25 preferred (quar.)-----	1 1/2c	2-2	1-23	Colorado Fuel & Iron-----	25c	2-28	2-11	Hershey Chocolate Corp., com. (quar.)----- \$4 conv. preferred (quar.)-----	75c	2-16	2-4
Colorado Fuel & Iron----- Special-----	10c	1-31	1-22	Columbus Fuel & Iron-----	25c	2-28	2-11	Hiawatha Chocolate Co., com. (quar.)----- \$1 conv. preferred (quar.)-----	75c	2-16	2-4
Concord Gas Co., 7% preferred-----	10c	1-31	1-22	Columbus Gas & Electric Corp.----- 6 1/2% preferred (quar.)-----	\$1 1/2	2-15	1-20	Hires (Chas. E.) Co. (quar.)----- Holland Paper Co., Ltd. (extra)-----	1 1/2c	2-16	2-4
Conduits National Co. (irregular)----- Community Public Service-----	10c	1-31	1-26	Commonwealth Edison Co. (quar.)-----	40c	1-31	1-15	Holly Sugar Corp., common----- 7% preferred (quar.)-----	25c	2-2	1-15
Connecticut Pictures Corp.----- \$2.75 convertible preferred (quar.)-----	10c	1-31	1-26	Community Public Service-----	25c	2-2	1-24	Horn (A. C.) Co., 7% non-cumulative prior participating preferred (quar.)----- 6% second participating preferred (quar.)-----	83 1/2c	3-2	2-16
Community Public Service----- Connecticut Pictures Corp.-----	10c	1-31	1-26	Concord Gas Co., 7% preferred-----	5c	1-31	1-10	Horn & Hardart Co. (N. Y.) (quar.)----- Houston Light & Power, \$6 pref. (quar.)-----	50c	2-2	1-13
Commonwealth Investment Co. (Del.) (quar.)----- Commonwealth Telephone, \$5 pref. (quar.)-----	10c	1-31	1-26	Consolidated Chemical Industries, class A (quar.)-----	1 1/2c	3-2	2-16	Hudson Industries, 6% conv. pref. (quar.)----- Huges (Chas. E.) Co. (quar.)-----	30c	3-2	2-14
Community Public Service----- Connecticut Pictures Corp.-----	10c	1-31	1-26	Consolidated Laundries Corp.----- \$7.50 preferred (quar.)-----	\$1 1/2	2-2	1-15	Hudson's Bay (quar.)----- Hudson's Bay Co. (quar.)-----	12c	2-16	2-4
Community Public Service----- Connecticut Pictures Corp.-----	10c	1-31	1-26	Consolidated Lobster (quar.)-----	5c	1-31	1-10	Hudson's Bay Co. (quar.)----- Hudson's Bay Co. (quar.)-----	12c	2-16	2-4
Commonwealth Investment Co. (Del.) (quar.)----- Commonwealth Telephone, \$5 pref. (quar.)-----	10c	1-31	1-26	Container Corp. of America-----	25c	3-3	2-5	Hudson's Bay Co. (quar.)----- Hudson's Bay Co. (quar.)-----	12c	2-16	2-4
Commonwealth Investment Co. (Del.) (quar.)----- Commonwealth Telephone, \$5 pref. (quar.)-----	10c	1-31	1-26	Continental Ill. Bank & Tr. Co. (Chic.) (s-a)-----	\$2	2-2	1-20	Hudson's Bay Co. (quar.)----- Hudson's Bay Co. (quar.)-----	12c	2-16	2-4
Commonwealth Investment Co. (Del.) (quar.)----- Commonwealth Telephone, \$5 pref. (quar.)-----	10c	1-31	1-26	Continental Oil Co. (Del.) (quar.)-----	50c	1-15	1-20	Hudson's Bay Co. (quar.)----- Hudson's Bay Co. (quar.)-----	12c	2-16	2-4
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# General Corporation and Investment News

## RAILROAD - PUBLIC UTILITY - INDUSTRIAL - INSURANCE - MISCELLANEOUS

**Abbott Laboratories—4½% Pref. Stock Called—**

All of the unconverted 4½% cumulative convertible preferred stock, par \$100, has been called for redemption as of Feb. 11, 1942, at \$107, plus accrued dividends of \$1.47 per share. The right of conversion into common shares continues to and including the redemption date.—V. 155, p. 257.

**Aetna-Standard Engineering Co.—To Expand—**

The company will build large additions to its Warren and Ellwood City plants at once to help handle its expanded war business. Ernest E. Swartswelder, President, announces. Work will be started immediately and the new plants are scheduled to be in operation by June. See also V. 155, p. 395.

**Akron Canton & Youngstown Ry.—Earnings—**

	1941	1940	1939	1938
Gross from railway	\$252,842	\$220,994	\$185,009	\$179,587
Net from railway	65,554	71,115	63,793	69,801
Net ry. oper. income	35,848	*16,322	38,523	36,396
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	3,117,206	2,388,573	2,048,252	1,694,439
Net from railway	1,173,232	728,751	634,726	413,497
Net ry. oper. income	657,168	413,297	306,009	81,566
*Deficit—V. 155, p. 45.				

**Alabama Power Co.—Redemption of Bonds—**

The company on March 10 will redeem all of the outstanding 1st & ref. mtge. gold bonds, 4½% series due 1967, at 101 and int. and the 1st & ref. mtge. gold bonds, 5% series due 1968, at 103 and int. Payment will be made at the Guaranty Trust Co., trustee, 140 Broadway, N. Y. City.

The company will also redeem on May 1 all of the outstanding 1st mtge. lien & ref. gold bonds, 5% series due 1956, at 101½ and int. and on June 1 all of the outstanding 1st mtge. lien & ref. gold bonds, 5% series due 1951, at 102½ and int. Payment of these issues will be made at the Chemical Bank & Trust Co., trustee, 165 Broadway, N. Y. City.

Holders of the above bond issues may, at their option, present and surrender them to the trustee, at any time on or before the redemption date of said issue, and receive therefor the full redemption price and accrued interest up to fixed redemption date.—V. 155, p. 358.

**Allied Mills, Inc. (& Subs.)—Earnings—**

12 Mos. Ended Dec. 31	1941	1940	1939	1938
*Net income	\$1,952,259	\$1,362,637	\$1,407,658	\$986,808
Shares common stock	812,220	812,220	812,220	946,000
Earnings per share	\$2.40	\$1.68	\$1.73	\$1.04
*After interest, taxes, depreciation, etc.—V. 154, p. 1049.				

**(A. S.) Aloe Co.—50-Cent Dividend—**

The directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock, payable Feb. 2 to holders of record Jan. 23.

During 1941 the company paid the following dividends: Feb. 1, May 1 and Aug. 1, 50 cents each; Nov. 1, 75 cents, and Dec. 23, a year-end dividend of 75 cents.—V. 155, p. 257.

**Alpha Portland Cement Co.—25-Cent Dividend—**

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 25 to holders of record March 2. During the year 1941, distributions were made on this issue as follows: March 25, June 25 and Sept. 25, 25 cents each; and Dec. 20, a year-end of \$1.25. See V. 154, p. 1257.—V. 155, p. 85.

**Alton RR.—Earnings—**

December	1941	1940	1939	1938
Gross from railway	\$2,009,413	\$1,547,632	\$1,437,505	\$1,298,706
Net from railway	553,993	415,284	375,974	304,427
Net ry. oper. income	259,178	168,605	191,607	191,571
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	20,245,864	16,474,713	16,622,809	15,403,994
Net from railway	5,422,431	3,134,655	4,064,782	3,329,921
Net ry. oper. income	1,992,757	15,978	920,648	312,863
—V. 155, p. 45.				

**American General Corp.—Annual Report—**

The report for the year ended Dec. 31, 1941, shows net assets as of that date equivalent to \$83.23 per share of convertible preferred stock (preference in liquidation \$50 per share and accrued dividends) and \$3.97 per share of common stock. The net assets as shown in the respective reports amounted to \$96.72 per preferred share and \$5.59 per common share at Dec. 31, 1940, and \$97.87 per preferred share and \$5.72 per common share at Sept. 30, 1941.

David M. Milton, President, states in his remarks to stockholders:

"In connection with First York Corp.'s investment in National Postal Meter Co., Inc., the following developments took place during the year: Charles R. Osgur, formerly director and Vice-President of International Business Machines Corp., was elected director and President of National Postal Meter Co., Inc. National Postal Meter Co., Inc., was recapitalized. In December, National Postal Meter Co., Inc., acquired approximately 93% of the outstanding shares of Multipost Co., which has been engaged in the manufacture of mailing equipment in Rochester, N. Y., since 1910. This acquisition is a part of National Postal Meter Co., Inc.'s plan to provide complete mail room service."

"In November, 1941, First York Corp. entered into an agreement with International Minerals & Chemical Corp. which provides, among other things, that under certain circumstances First York Corp., or one or more of its affiliated companies, will purchase in 1942 not less than \$669,500, nor more than \$1,621,700 of convertible debentures of Union Potash & Chemical Co., a subsidiary of International Minerals & Chemical Corp."

(American General Corp. owns 870 [87%] of First York Corp. stock)

**Income Account for Calendar Years**

	1941	1940	1939	1938
Inc.—Cash div. on stks.	\$869,954	\$811,763	\$754,589	\$657,370
Int. earned on bonds	38,306	33,958	19,289	1,745
Miscellaneous income				2,473
Total	\$908,260	\$845,720	\$773,858	\$661,588
Operating expenses	127,579	123,024	152,569	357,948
Interest	42,302	55,923	65,175	28,360
Provision for taxes	19,691	43,734	51,061	5,800
*Excess of income	\$718,687	\$623,039	\$505,054	\$269,480

\*Over operating expenses (without giving effect to results of security transactions) carried to surplus. \*including American Securities Co.—wholly-owned subsidiary.

**Balance Sheet, Dec. 31**

	1941	1940
Cash in banks	\$706,190	\$831,283
Accounts receivable for securities sold—not delivered	24,995	301,922
Accounts, dividends and interest received	77,954	68,532
General marketable securities	11,774,558	13,684,365
Investment in American Securities Corp.	1	1
Investment in Fifty Five St. Corp., 100% owned	1	1
Investment in First York Corp.	2,370,721	2,620,798
Investment in General Investment Corp.	1,505,021	1,592,138
Investment in Utility Equities Corp.	988,184	1,084,048
Total	\$17,447,625	\$20,183,086

**Liabilities—**

Accounts payable for securities purchased, not received	\$169,899	\$328,731
Other accounts payable, accrued expenses and taxes	62,052	84,689
Notes payable to banks	3,100,000	2,900,000
Reserve for contingencies	107,177	102,463
Unrealized depreciation (net)	Dr6,081,978	Dr4,245,985
Excess of cost of investment		
First York Corp.	Dr1,931,429	Dr1,681,352
Utility Equities Corp.	Dr265,235	Dr156,086
American Securities Corp.	Dr49,087	Dr49,087
General Investment Corp.	Dr21,043	77,737
Preferred stock (\$1 par)	168,303	173,353
Common stock (10c par)	140,084	144,145
Capital surplus	23,573,058	24,028,653
Deficit	1,524,175	1,524,175

"This type of indemnification will be available although the judgment in favor of a director or officer is rendered on grounds not involving any determination of the question of possible dereliction on the part of such director or officer, such as procedural defects or unwarranted delay in bringing action. In the event that an action is settled, no reimbursement may be had for any amount paid in settlement or any expenses incurred in connection with the action."

"This part of the proposed amendment is somewhat similar to the recent amendment to the New York General Corporation Law, enacted in the spring of 1941, authorizing New York corporations to indemnify their directors against expenses incurred in the defense of suits where the director is not adjudged to be liable for negligence or misconduct in the performance of his duties. It should be noted, however, that this section of the by-law is somewhat narrower in scope than the statute, in that under the by-law the action must be disposed of in favor of the director or officer, within the meaning of the proposed by-law."

"Paragraph 2 of the amendment is in the form of a grant of immunity with respect to any act, omission, step or conduct taken or had in good faith, subsequent to July 1, 1941, which is required, authorized or approved by any order or orders issued pursuant to the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, the Federal Power Act, or any State statute regulating the company or its subsidiaries by reason of their being public utility, or public utility holding, companies; or any amendments to any thereof. In the event that the provisions of this paragraph are found not to constitute a valid defense with respect to a particular class of plaintiff, each director and officer shall be reimbursed for, or indemnified against all expenses and liabilities incurred by him or imposed on him, in connection with, or arising out of, any such action, suit or proceeding based on any such act, omission, step or conduct taken or had in good faith. But indemnification will not be available for any fines or penalties imposed pursuant to such statutes."

"The proposed amendment differs considerably from the general type recently adopted by a number of companies, in that its general application is much more limited and restricted and its specific application to conduct taken pursuant to orders under the Public Utility Holding Company Act, the Federal Power Act, and State regulatory statutes is unique, as being applicable only to the public utility industry. While the likelihood of liability arising under such circumstances is perhaps more remote than in the ordinary case, a very real hazard still exists that actions may be brought against the officers and directors for acts done in good faith to accomplish the ends set out in the regulatory statutes applicable to the company, particularly in connection with corporate reorganizations under the Public Utility Holding Company Act."

"Four actions have been started, two in the State and two in the Federal courts of New York, against the company, all of its present and certain of its former directors and certain associate companies and, in one of the actions, certain directors of subsidiaries of the company, attacking payments made by subsidiaries of the company for services rendered by the service organization of Electric Bond & Share Co., and demanding among other things, an accounting and payment of the plaintiffs' litigation expenses, including counsel fees."

No judgments rendered in any of these actions would be indemnifiable under the second paragraph of the amendment, although expenses incurred by any present or future director or officer, subsequent to the date of the adoption of the by-law, would be indemnifiable under the first paragraph in the event that these actions are disposed of in favor of such director or officer.—V. 155, p. 45.

**American Rolling Mill Co.—Dividend Decreased—**

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 14 to holders of record Feb. 14. This compares with 35 cents per share paid on April 5, June 14, Sept. 15 and Dec. 12, last year, and 25 cents on Dec. 18, 1940.

Charles R. Hook, President, said that "because of tax and other uncertainties inherent in wartime the board of directors considers it advisable to maintain a strong cash position and believes this conservative dividend declaration to be compatible with such a source."—V. 154, p. 1257.

**American Steel Foundries—50-Cent Dividend—**

The directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 16 to holders of record Feb. 28. During 1941, the company paid dividends as follows: March 31 and June 30, 25 cents each; Sept. 15, 75 cents; Dec. 15, 25 cents, and Dec. 29, a year-end of 50 cents.—V. 155, p. 46.

**American Tobacco Co.—To Pay \$1 Dividend—**

The directors on Jan. 28 declared a dividend of \$1 per share on the common and common stock B, payable in cash on March 3 to holders of record Feb. 10. This compares with 75 cents paid on Dec. 1, 1941, and \$1.25 each quarter from Dec. 1, 1930, to and including Sept. 2, 1941. Extras of \$1 were also distributed on March 2, 1931, and March 1, 1932.

**Said to be Planning up to \$100,000,000 New Financing**

The Company is considering one of the largest pieces of industrial financing to take shape in many months, according to reports in financial circles. Tentative plans involve the financing of inventories believed to range between \$80,000,000 and \$100,000,000 through the issuance of fixed-interest bearing securities. It was reported that the financing may be done privately.—V. 155, p. 396.

**American Viscose Corp.—Rayon Staple Fiber Sales—**

Demand for rayon staple fiber was consistently heavy throughout 1941 and it was necessary to allocate monthly supplies in order to make a fair and equitable distribution of the amounts available, H. W. Rose, in charge of rayon staple fiber sales of this corporation, reported on Jan. 27 in reviewing 1941 developments.

Stoppage of staple fiber imports from Great Britain upon completion of June orders cut off a supply that had been of great help in providing for the United States market, during the first half of the year. In the same period, reserve stocks were heavily reduced. Thereafter, in the second half of the year, domestic production of staple fiber was increased, but the gain was just about sufficient to make up for the loss of imports.

In the latter part of the year reserve stocks were depleted and no imports were coming in. As a consequence, available quantities of staple fiber in that period were below the level of the middle part of the year. This situation has continued and there is no prospect of getting back to the level reached by July, 1941, the announcement concluded.—V. 155, p. 396.

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

Output of electric energy of the electric properties of this company for the week ending Jan. 24, 1942, totaled 73,280,000 kwh., an increase of 18.08% over the output of 62,056,300 kwh. for the corresponding week of 1941.

Comparative table of weekly output of electric energy for the last five years follows:

Week End	1942	1941	1940</th

**Ann Arbor RR.—Earnings—**

	1941	1940	1939	1938
December—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Gross from railway—	\$409,629	\$358,239	\$313,396	\$302,496
Net from railway—	105,708	114,959	65,375	70,822
Net ry. oper. income—	58,122	79,061	30,539	34,470
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway—	4,762,722	4,141,148	3,964,804	3,468,358
Net from railway—	1,225,035	892,264	792,053	524,022
Net ry. oper. income—	662,367	450,291	368,563	118,136
—V. 155, p. 46.				

**Armour & Co. (Ill.)—Dividend Outlook, Etc.**

Business of this company since the beginning of the company's new fiscal year last Nov. 1 has been good both in volume and profits, and there is reason to hope that current dividends can be maintained, George A. Eastwood, President, told stockholders at the annual meeting held last week. "Whether the year will see any payments of back dividends, however, remains to be determined," he added. "The factors of greatest weight in this connection are, first, whether earnings continue good, and second, the amount of money which the company will need to maintain its operations on a scale commensurate with the increased war and civilian needs of the day."

Pointing to the rising prices in the livestock market which caused a substantial increase in the amount of money needed to finance the business, Mr. Eastwood reminded the shareholders that the company's investment in inventory and receivables increased considerably during the 1941 fiscal year. Total increase for the year, he said, was \$51,051,171, which was financed by current bank borrowings of \$27,989,385, by increasing accounts and accruals payable \$11,925,582, and by retaining in the business \$11,136,205 of the 1941 earnings.

John E. Sanford, of Atlanta, Ga., has been elected to the board to replace the late James A. McDonough.—V. 155, p. 86.

**Armstrong Cork Co.—25-Cent Interim Dividend—**

The directors have declared an interim dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 3 to holders of record Feb. 9.

Distributions made on the common stock during 1941 were as follows: March 3, 25 cents; June 2, 25 cents; Aug. 1, 50 cents; Sept. 1, 25 cents; Dec. 1, 25 cents, and Dec. 23, 75 cents.—V. 154, p. 1258.

**Associated Electric Co.—To Acquire \$3,015,000 Bonds.**

Company has filed an application with the SEC (File 70-486) regarding the proposed acquisition of \$3,015,000 of its 4 1/2% gold bonds, refunding series, due 1956, from NY PA NJ Utilities Co., an affiliate, in exchange for \$1,356,700 of 6% consolidated refunding gold bonds, due 1981, of the Mohawk Valley Co.

All of the companies are in the Associated Gas and Electric Corp. system.—V. 155, p. 86.

**Associated Gas & Electric Co.—Weekly Output—**

The Atlantic Utility Service Corp. reports that for the week ended Jan. 23, net electric output of the Associated Gas & Electric group was 123,826,991 units (kwh.). This is an increase of 13,987,460 units or 12.7% above production of 109,839,531 units a year ago.—V. 155, p. 359.

**Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Ry.—Earnings—**

(Includes The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Ry.; Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Ry., and Panhandle & Santa Fe Ry.)

Period Ended Dec. 31—	1941—Month—1940	1941—12 Mos.—1940	1941—Month—1940	1941—12 Mos.—1940
Ry. oper. revenues—	\$21,458,077	15,844,925	225,043,649	170,003,639
Ry. oper. expenses—	15,275,675	11,561,160	156,910,708	129,656,637
*Railway tax accruals—	1,979,689	920,721	27,626,429	17,159,640
Other credits—	20,982	68,622	40,279	830,263
Net ry. oper. income—	4,223,695	3,431,666	40,546,790	24,017,625

\*Includes Fed. inc. tax 464,000 Cr\$25,000 10,959,000 2,400,000

**Carloadings—**

Santa Fe System carloadings week ending Jan. 24, 1942, were 23,048 compared with 18,245 same week 1941. Received from connections 9,129, compared with 7,232 same week 1941. Total cars moved 32,177, compared with 25,477 same week 1941. Santa Fe handled total of 31,068 cars preceding week this year.—V. 155, p. 359.

**Atlantic Coast Line RR.—Earnings—**

Period Ended Dec. 31— 1941—Month—1940 1941—12 Mos.—1940

Operating revenues—	\$6,452,374	\$5,111,857	\$67,404,252	\$50,087,984
Operating expenses—	4,705,643	3,531,581	46,859,449	39,567,509

Net oper. revenues— \$1,746,731 \$1,580,276 \$20,544,803 \$10,520,475  
Amount req. for taxes 900,000 300,000 7,650,000 4,550,000

Operating income— \$846,731 \$1,280,276 \$12,894,803 \$5,970,475  
Net amt. paid for rent or eqpt. & joint facil. 113,663 195,303 1,813,850 2,213,241

Net ry. oper. income— \$733,068 \$1,084,973 \$11,080,953 \$3,757,234  
—V. 155, p. 46.

**Atlantic & North Carolina RR.—Notes—**

The ICC on Jan. 19 modified its report and order of June 27, 1941, so as to authorize the issue, at par, of not exceeding \$170,000 of 10-year 3% promissory notes, and \$30,000 of 10-year 2% promissory notes. The Commission by its report and order of June 27, 1941, authorized the road to issue, at par, not exceeding \$200,000 of 10-year 3% promissory notes.

The proceeds of the \$170,000 notes are to be used for the rehabilitation of Atlantic & Eastern Carolina Ry. properties and the proceeds of the \$30,000 notes are proposed to be applied to the purchase of a spur track from the Cherry Point RR.—V. 155, p. 236.

**Austin, Nichols & Co., Inc.—Earnings—**

8 Mos. End. Dec. 31— 1941 1940 1939 1938

Gross profit on sales— \$1,169,178 \$1,192,012 \$1,159,960 \$1,507,877

Selling and gen. exps. 1,002,494 1,135,956 1,123,500 1,544,331

Profit— \$166,684 \$56,056 \$36,460 \*\$36,455  
Other income, net— Dr150 Cr1284 Cr21  
Depreciat.on— 8,000 9,200 9,239 13,200  
Interest— 27,004 29,779 \*25,728 46,854  
Prov. for Federal taxes— 45,000 — — —

Net profit— \$86,680 \$16,926 \$2,777 \*\$96,488  
\*Loss.—V. 154, p. 330.

**(B. F.) Avery & Sons Co.—Notes Called—**

A total of \$40,000 of 10-year sinking fund 5% notes due June 1, 1947, have been called for redemption as of April 1, 1942, at 101 1/2 and interest. Payment will be made at the Fidelity & Columbia Trust Co., Fifth & Jefferson Sts., Louisville, Ky.

Holders of the notes called may present and surrender them at any time prior to date set for redemption and receive therefor 101 1/2, together with accrued interest from Dec. 1, 1941, to April 1, 1942.—V. 154, p. 1374.

**Baldwin Rubber Co.—Earnings—**

Period End. Dec. 31— 1941—3 Mos.—1940 1941—6 Mos.—1940

\*Net profit— \$77,257 \$208,586 \$178,324 \$290,061

Earnings per share of capital stock— \$0.24 \$0.66 \$0.56 \$0.92

\*After depreciation, interest, provision for Federal income taxes, etc.—V. 154, p. 1100.

**Baltimore & Ohio RR.—Carloadings—**

Week End. Same Wk. Same Wk. Week End.

Total cars revenue Jan. 24, '42 1941 1930 Jan. 17, '42

freight loaded 39,446 33,396 41,496 38,553

Total cars rev. freight rec. from connect. 23,431 18,397 21,302 21,953

Total loaded and received 62,877 51,793 62,798 60,506

—V. 155, p. 396.

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**Carrier Corp.—To Ask Authority to Modify Sinking Fund Plan—**

At the annual meeting stockholders will be asked to authorize directors to modify the sinking fund requirements, Willis H. Carrier, Chairman, and J. H. Lyle, President, state in the annual report.

The sinking fund requirement is a major factor in company's working capital situation since \$5,000 per month, plus 20% of all net earnings before income taxes, must be spent for this purpose.

The working capital, the state reports, amounted to \$4,175,047 on Oct. 31, with current assets at \$7,449,644 and current liabilities \$3,274,597. Cash, however, amounted to only \$332,837, while inventories increased by \$1,500,887 from the end of 1940 to \$4,897,279.

Pointing out that higher taxes are inevitable, the management expressed hope that some method would be found for making more equitable the tax burden of those companies, such as Carrier, which have spent so much money at the expense of current profits in the pioneering necessary to establish a new industry. Management also believes that the excise taxes created in 1941 might be applied with less discrimination.—V. 154, p. 954.

**(J. I.) Case Co., Racine, Wisc.—Insurance Plan—**

L. R. Clausen, President, on Jan. 28 announced that a comprehensive plan of group insurance available to all Case employees has just been put into effect. The plan includes life insurance totaling more than \$2,000,000, and hospital expense and surgical operation benefits.

This plan not only enrolls employees of the three factories at Racine, Wisc., but also employees in Rock Island and Rockford, Ill., and Burlington, Iowa.

The new group plan is being underwritten by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. on a cooperative basis. The employees contribute fixed amounts, and the Case Co. pays the balance of the entire net cost.—V. 154, p. 1629.

**Caterpillar Tractor Co.—Earnings—**

Calendar Years—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Net sales	\$101,957,987	\$73,062,514	\$58,432,921	\$48,246,139
Cost of sales, oper. exps., &c., less miscel. inc.	81,519,142	58,475,344	48,454,521	41,736,250
Depreciation	3,540,952	2,532,471	2,541,086	2,408,165
Profit	\$16,897,892	\$12,054,699	\$7,437,314	\$4,101,724
Interest earned—Cr.	145,339	192,373	269,088	355,076
Interest paid	68,023	121,167	36,448	10,405
*Prov. for Fed. taxes	9,190,726	14,286,788	1,665,063	2,120,688
Net profit	\$7,784,483	\$7,839,117	\$6,004,890	\$3,235,709
Common divs. paid	3,764,480	3,764,480	3,764,480	3,764,480
Preferred divs. paid			572,857	574,967
Surplus	\$4,020,003	\$4,074,637	\$1,667,553	\$1,103,738
Com. shs. outst. (no par)	1,882,240	1,882,240	1,882,240	1,882,240
Earnings per share	\$4.14	\$4.16	\$2.89	\$1.41

\*No provision for Federal surtax on undistributed earnings is included, as dividends paid in 1938 were in excess of the net profits.

†Including excess profits tax. †Deficit.

Balance Sheet, Dec. 31

Assets—	1941	1940
Cash	\$5,380,621	\$6,693,770
Notes and accounts receivable, less reserves	8,457,259	8,320,588
Inventories	30,580,144	21,034,935
Patents, trade marks and goodwill	1	1
*Land, buildings, equipment, &c.	22,186,795	20,797,425
Prepaid insurance, taxes, &c.	23,090	29,288
Total	\$66,627,910	\$56,875,468

  

Liabilities—	1941	1940
Accounts payable	\$5,420,781	\$4,313,311
Accrued payroll and expenses	1,675,482	1,121,960
Notes payable	3,000,000	4,000,000
Reserve for Federal taxes	9,236,580	4,137,593
†Preferred stock called for redemption		27,540
Common stock	9,411,200	9,411,200
Capital surplus	13,733,577	13,733,577
Earned surplus	24,150,290	20,130,287
Total	\$66,627,910	\$56,875,468

\*After reserve for depreciation of \$17,107,822 in 1941 and \$14,649,216 in 1940. †Represented by 1,882,240 no par shares. †Not yet presented.—V. 155, p. 164.

**Cedar Rapids Gas Co.—To Be Merged—**

See under United Light & Power Co.

**Central Indiana Gas Co.—Accumulated Dividend—**

The "Chronicle" has just been advised that the directors of the above company on Dec. 8, 1941, declared a dividend of \$9.75 per share on the 6 1/2% cumulative preferred stock, per \$100, covering the six quarterly periods July 1, 1932, to Jan. 1, 1934. The dividend was payable Jan. 1, 1942, to holders of record Dec. 20, 1941.—V. 154, p. 1002.

**Central N. Y. Power Corp.—Files Bonds with SEC—**

Corporation has filed an application with the Securities and Exchange Commission regarding the proposed sale of \$1,000,000 of 2 1/2% general mortgage bonds, due 1965, to the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. at 97.90. The proceeds, with other funds of the company, will be used to retire at maturity \$1,000,000 of 5% 40-year gold bonds due on April 1, 1942.—V. 154, p. 1375.

**Central New York Utilities Corp.—Company Dissolved.**

The SEC on Jan. 21 ruled that the corporation has ceased to be an investment company within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940.

Corporation was organized in Delaware March 8, 1927. It registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 as a closed-end, non-diversified management company.

On Dec. 24, 1941, United Gas and Electric Corp., the sole stockholder of the corporation, duly consented to the dissolution of the corporation and the liquidation of its affairs. In accordance with the applicable provisions of the laws of the State of Delaware, a certificate of dissolution was issued by the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware.

Corporation has paid or provided for the payment of all its debts and has distributed its assets to the United Gas and Electric Corp., the sole stockholder.—V. 154, p. 105.

**Chain Store Real Estate Trust—Extra Dividend—**

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 20 cents per share in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of like amount, both payable Feb. 2 to holders of record Jan. 20. An extra of 20 cents was also paid on Feb. 1, last year, and on Feb. 1, 1940.—V. 152, p. 262.

**Chesapeake & Ohio Ry.—Certificates Offered—** A group headed by Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc. on Jan. 28 was awarded \$5,150,000 Equipment Trust of 1942, Serial Equipment trust certificates on a bid of 99.222 for the issue as 1%, representing a net interest cost to the road of about 1.90%. The certificates, due \$515,000 on each Feb. 15, 1943 to 1952 inclusive, were immediately reoffered at prices to yield 0.65% to 2.15%, according to maturity. Other members of the offering group are Blair & Co., Inc.; Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co.; Otis & Co., Inc.; Equitable Securities Corp.; G. M.-P. Murphy & Co.; First of Michigan Corp.; Walter Stokes & Co.; Gregory & Son, Inc.; F. S. Yantis & Co., Inc.; Edward Lowber Stokes & Co.; and Moore, Leonard & Lynch.

The issuance and sale of the certificates to be issued under the Philadelphia plan is subject to Interstate Commerce Commission approval. They are to be secured by the following new standard-gauge rolling stock, whose total estimated cost is approximately \$6,544,784;

ten 2-6-6-6 type freight locomotives, with 25,000-gallon tenders; fifteen 0-8-0 type switching locomotives with 8,000-gallon tenders, and 1,000 50-ton all-steel hopper cars.

Other bids submitted at the sale included: Salomon Bros. & Hutzler and associates, 99.077 for 1 1/4%; First Boston Corp. and associates, 99.439 for 1 1/4%; and Evans Stillman & Co. and associates, 99.685 for 2%.

**Carloading for Weeks Ended**

		Weeks Ended		
Chesapeake & Ohio Ry. Co.—		Jan. 24, '42	Jan. 25, '41	Jan. 17, '42
Originated		25,447	22,280	25,685
Received from connections		10,856	9,811	10,227
Total		36,303	32,071	35,892
New York, Chicago & St. Louis RR. (Nickel Plate Road)—				
Originated		6,476	5,186	6,557
Received from connections		15,400	12,516	14,118
Total		21,876	17,702	20,675
Pere Marquette Ry. Co.—				
Originated		5,767	6,115	5,440
Received from connections		7,228	6,303	7,139
Total		12,995	12,418	12,579
Total for the Three Railroads—		37,690	33,561	37,662
Received from connections		33,484	28,630	31,484
Total		71,174	62,191	69,146

"A voting trust will be created, into which all of the preferred and common stock of the reorganized company shall be placed and voting-trust certificates shall be issued therefor.... Such voting trust shall continue until ten years from the date the plan is finally confirmed by the court, or until such earlier time as dividends on the preferred stock shall have been paid in full for each of three consecutive periods of twelve months."

And further provides that:

"Voting-trust certificates shall be issued in lieu of stock certificates pending termination of the voting trust."

We have received a number of inquiries regarding the proper description to be used in confirmations or long-form contracts covering transactions "when, as and if issued" in these proposed new securities in accordance with the approved plan of reorganization. Since the form in which these new securities will be issued upon consummation of the plan depends upon the outcome of conditions stated in the plan, and inasmuch as they will be issued either as stocks or as voting-trust certificates in their entirety and not in both forms, it is the opinion of the Committee that either stock or voting-trust certificates, whichever is issued, will be good delivery in settlement of contracts in these securities. In order to avoid disagreements at a later date, members are urged to review their "when issued" contracts in these securities now and to come to a clear understanding with all parties concerned regarding the securities covered by their contracts and in the future so to designate the subject of the contract that confusion may not arise.—V. 155, p. 360.

**Chicago Rock Island & Pacific Ry.—Carloadings—**

Week Ended—	Jan. 24, '42	Jan. 17, '42	Jan. 25, '41
Cars loaded	18,578	19,253	15,376
—V. 155, p. 360.	12,164	11,581	8,322

**Chicago, Burlington & Quincy RR.—Carloadings—**

Week Ended—	Jan. 24, '42	Jan. 17, '42	Jan. 25, '41
Cars loaded	18,578	19,253	15,376
—V. 155, p. 360.	12,164	11,581	8,322

**Chicago, Springfield & St. Louis Ry.—Distribution—**

There is now distributable at the office of The Chase National Bank, 11 Broad St., New York, as of Jan. 1, 1942, 20% of the principal amount of the prior lien mortgage bonds (not deposited with the bondholders' committee) pursuant to orders entered in receivership proceedings of the company, upon presentation of the bonds with all unpaid coupons annexed.—V. 149, p. 234.

**Chicago Towel Co.—Earnings—**

Calendar Years—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Gross revenues	\$4,984,605	\$4,356,931	\$3,927,631	\$3,711,745
Expenses	3,832,172	3,332,363	3,056,993	2,794,585
Operating profit	\$1,152,433	\$1,024,566	\$870,638	\$917,160
Other income	Dr. 1,128	—	1,007	1,972

Total income	\$1,151,305	\$1,024,566	\$871,645	\$919,132
Depreciation	65,833	58,287	63,696	56,005
Federal taxes	428,466	241,988	137,584	145,462
Net income	\$657,006	\$724,291	\$670,366	\$717,665
Preferred dividends	120,477	120,529	120,897	121,928
Common dividends	480,000	520,000	540,000	560,000</

the application of Panhandle Eastern to be declared not to be a subsidiary of Columbia Oil and of Columbia Gas. In our same order, we granted application of Panhandle Eastern to be declared not to be a subsidiary of Missouri-Kansas Pipe Line Co. (Mokan).

The hearing on the aforementioned application of Columbia Gas was at its request continued subject to call of the trial examiner. On June 7, 1941, Columbia Gas, Columbia Oil, and Mokan entered into an agreement modifying the plan previously mentioned for settlement of the pending anti-trust action. Subsequently, Columbia Gas amended its applications and Columbia Oil and Panhandle Eastern filed applications and declarations to obtain our approval of various transactions embodied in the said plan as modified.

After argument on Nov. 7, 1941, held at the request of Mokan, we issued an order on Nov. 14, 1941, overruling the objection of Mokan to the modifications of the order of procedure and consolidating the new applications which had been filed in the intervening time with the consolidated proceeding.

After consideration of the entire record, we make the following findings:

#### Brief Description of Applicants and Declarants

Panhandle Eastern, a subsidiary of Columbia Oil and Columbia Gas, is a non-public utility holding and operating company incorporated in Delaware in 1929. It is engaged in the production, purchase, transmission, and sale of natural gas. It taps fields in Texas and Kansas and its lines run through Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, and Illinois to a point on the Indiana-Illinois border, near Dana, Ind., where its line connects with that of Michigan Gas. It has outstanding the following securities:

Series B 3% bonds, due Nov. 1, 1960.	\$12,000,000
Series A bonds, due serially Nov. 1, 1946, to Nov. 1, 1950.	6,250,000
Notes due serially Nov. 1, 1942, to Nov. 1, 1945.	5,000,000
Class A (\$100 par) preferred stock, \$6 cumul. partic.	100,000 shs.
Class B (\$100 par) preferred stock, \$6 cumul. non-partic.	10,000 shs.
Common stock, no par (stated value \$25 per share)	807,367 shs.

Note—Class A stock is redeemable, class B is not.

All of Panhandle Eastern's preferred stock is held beneficially for Columbia Oil, as are also 404,326 shares, or 50.1% of Panhandle Eastern's common stock, 339,475 shares, or 42.0% of the common stock, is owned by Mokan. The remaining 7.9% is in the hands of over 1,700 holders. The bonds of Panhandle Eastern (many of which are bearer bonds) are stated to be held by interests unaffiliated with the Columbia companies.

Columbia Oil, a non-public utility holding company, was incorporated in Delaware in 1930 for the purpose of acquiring from Columbia Gas the oil and gasoline subsidiaries previously owned by the latter. It has outstanding the following securities:

6% debentures due 1956.	\$20,400,000
Preferred stock, participating (stated value \$34,087,500)	400,000 shs.
Common stock (\$1 par)	2,336,826 shs.

Columbia Gas holds all the preferred stock and all of the outstanding debentures. It holds none of the common stock. This stock, issued to Columbia Gas on the formation of Columbia Oil in 1930, was in the same year placed in a voting trust. The voting trust certificates were, in that year, distributed to the holders of Columbia Gas common stock as a dividend. The voting trust was dissolved in 1936 as a part of a recapitalization of Columbia Oil, and the common stock was distributed to the holders of the voting trust certificates.

Michigan Gas, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Columbia Gas, is a non-public utility corporation organized in Delaware in 1935. It owns and operates a gas transmission line connecting with the Panhandle Eastern line at Dana, Ind., and extending to Detroit, Mich. The gas transmitted through its line is delivered primarily to the Michigan Consolidated Gas Co. for the account of Panhandle Eastern. Michigan Gas also owns pipeline extending from point on the Detroit line near Zionsville, Ind., to Muncie, Ind., where it connects with the line of Ohio Fuel which is proposed to be sold to Panhandle Eastern.

Indiana Gas, a public utility company incorporated in Indiana in 1931, is also a wholly-owned subsidiary of Columbia Gas. It owns distribution facilities in western Indiana located along the transmission lines of Michigan Gas from which it receives all of its gas requirements. It sells gas at retail to approximately 1,800 customers and to one industrial customer.

Ohio Fuel, a subsidiary of Columbia Gas, is a public utility company incorporated in Ohio. It is engaged primarily in the production, transmission and distribution of natural and manufactured gas in the State of Ohio. Its distribution area is centered in Columbus, Toledo, Zanesville, Springfield, Lorain, Mansfield, Marion and the areas contiguous thereto.

#### Aquisition and Disposition of Panhandle Eastern Class A Preferred Stock

As previously stated, Columbia Oil holds the entire outstanding issue of Panhandle Eastern's class A, cumulative participating preferred stock in the par amount of \$10,000,000. This stock is entitled to cumulative preferential dividends of \$6 a share. In addition, after certain reserve requirements have been met and dividends on the common stock to the extent of \$1.50 per share have been declared or paid in any one year, the class A stock participates in any additional dividends to the extent of 25%. Under the certificate of incorporation of Panhandle Eastern, the class A stock was originally redeemable at any time at par prior to or on July 1, 1941, or at \$10 per share thereafter. Various agreements were entered into, however, extending the time in which the class A stock may be redeemed without payment of the \$10 premium. The last such agreement extended the time until April 1, 1942. In its proposal to dispose of the class A stock to Panhandle Eastern, Columbia Oil proposes to accept par for the stock.

The \$10,000,000 class A preferred and the \$1,000,000 of class B preferred stock were issued by Panhandle Eastern on July 1, 1936, in exchange for \$11,000,000 of convertible preferred stock. Panhandle Eastern had previously issued \$9,400,000 of convertible preferred stock and \$1,600,000 of notes convertible into convertible preferred for its 6% promissory notes, in the face amount of \$9,891,000, which had been issued for an equivalent amount of cash, plus the unpaid accrued interest thereon of \$1,440,789, a total of \$11,331,789.

Columbia Oil, which received both the class A and class B stock, had originally, in 1931 and 1932, acquired directly from Panhandle Eastern one-half of the notes in the face amount of \$4,945,500 for that amount of cash, which was advanced to it by Columbia Gas. Mokan, which, like Columbia Oil, at that time owned one-half of the common stock of Panhandle Eastern, caused the one-half of the notes to which it was entitled to subscribe to be issued to its subsidiary, Panhandle Corp., to which it also transferred the common stock. Panhandle Corp. pledged the notes and stock of Panhandle Eastern so received by it to a group of bankers (Hillman group) as security for its own collateral trust notes in the face amount of \$4,940,000. These notes were guaranteed by Mokan which, in addition, borrowed \$1,060,000 from the Hillman group on its own notes, secured inter alia, by 900 of the 1,000 shares of Panhandle Corp. stock.

In March, 1932, receivers were appointed for Mokan. The claim of the Hillman group on the Mokan notes was liquidated by the receipt of its cash plus 750 shares of Panhandle Corp. stock. The interest of Mokan, or its receivers, in Panhandle Eastern was thus reduced to one-quarter interest in the pledgor's equity of Panhandle Corp. in one-half of the common stock and notes of Panhandle Eastern.

On March 2, 1934, Panhandle Eastern failed to pay interest on its notes. On March 15, 1934, the Panhandle Corp. notes, whose maturity date had been extended, with the consent of 98% of the noteholders, for one year from March 15, 1933, became due, but the corporation defaulted in the payment of both interest and principal.

This situation remained unchanged, except for the accrual of unpaid interest on the notes of both Panhandle Eastern and Panhandle Corp., until the settlement agreement dated June 1, 1936. During the intervening period, however, via in March 1935, a civil anti-trust suit was brought by the Department of Justice against Columbia Gas, Columbia Oil, certain of their respective directors, and Hillman, et al, charging them with mismanagement and financial strangulation of Panhandle Eastern. In July, 1935, an action for treble damages in the amount of \$180,000,000 was brought by the Mokan receivers against the same persons upon identical contentions.

In June, 1935, after the commencement of the government anti-trust suit but before the action of the Mokan receivers, Columbia Oil offered to purchase from the Hillman group and other noteholders their interests in Panhandle Corp. on condition that the anti-trust suit be settled so as to allow Columbia Oil to retain its interests in Panhandle Eastern. On Jan. 29, 1936, a stipulation and consent decree were entered into between the Department of Justice and the defendants, providing inter alia for such retention upon certain conditions. Moreover, after a series of negotiations, an overall settlement was made with the Mokan receivers of their various claims arising from the alleged mismanagement of Panhandle Eastern, the essential terms of which were approved by the Delaware Court having jurisdiction

over the receivership. This agreement was consummated on June 5, 1936, and was dated as of June 1, 1936.

For the purpose of carrying out the terms of the stipulation and consent decree as well as the settlement, Columbia Oil purchased the securities of Panhandle Corp. from the Hillman group and other holders of Panhandle Corp. notes, paying \$4,183,394 for the notes of that corporation in the face amount of \$4,940,000 secured by the notes and stock of Panhandle Eastern, and paying \$693,671 for the 750 shares of the Panhandle Corp. common stock held by the Hillman group. In addition, it advanced \$213,092 to Panhandle Corp. for its debts and expenses, paid the receivers of Mokan \$300,000 in cash, released Mokan from its guarantee of the notes of Panhandle Corp. and from its liability to Panhandle Eastern in the amount of \$42,607, recapitalized Panhandle Eastern and gave to the Mokan receivers half of the common stock of Panhandle Eastern. Columbia Oil itself received the class A and class B stock upon surrender of the convertible preferred which in turn had been issued for the promissory notes as aforesaid. The Mokan receivers, in exchange, surrendered their 250 shares in Panhandle Corp. and released Columbia Oil, Columbia Gas, their directors and Hillman from all claims and causes of action on their own account and that of Panhandle Eastern for all past derelictions. Columbia Gas, among other things, recapitalized Columbia Oil, surrendered its claims for unpaid dividends, reduced the dividend rights on the new preferred shares, and reduced interest rates on the debt due to Columbia Gas.

As has been stated, the class A preferred is, by its terms, redeemable. During 1938 the management of Panhandle Eastern discussed the possibility of refunding it by the issuance of a security without the participation feature and with a lower preferential dividend rate. These proposals envisaged the substitution of a convertible preferred and were objected to by Mokan for that reason, since the conversion of such stock would strengthen Columbia Oil's control over Panhandle Eastern. In July, 1939, however, offers were made by banking groups to market a cumulative, non-convertible, non-participating preferred bearing dividends of 4% to 5%, the proceeds of which could be used to retire the class A stock.

In December of 1938, the Department of Justice had petitioned to reopen the consent decree on the ground that the decree had failed to accomplish its objective, the divestment of the control of Columbia Gas over Panhandle Eastern. In June, 1939, Columbia Gas and Columbia Oil entered into a new settlement agreement, which, with certain conditions, obtained the acquiescence of the Department of Justice and the approval of the court having jurisdiction over the consent decree. One of the provisions of that agreement was that the class A stock should be refunded. A common stockholder of Columbia Gas brought an action to restrain the carrying out of the settlement plan on the ground that some of its provisions were unfair to that company. Columbia Oil refused and continued to refuse to permit the refunding of the class A stock unless the other provisions of the plan were simultaneously consummated. In its present declaration, however, it consents to such refunding without regard to the action taken with respect to such collateral transactions other than those involved herein.

There seems to be no question but that the retirement of the Class A stock by Panhandle Eastern is in the interest of the public and of investors and consumers, in that it will permit the substitution of securities having far less burdensome terms. The problems raised by the application and declarations with respect to the proposed transaction relate solely to the price to be paid for the stock. The charter originally provided for the payment of a ten-point premium per share if the redemption is not out of earnings and takes place subsequent to July 1, 1941. Columbia Oil by agreement extended such time for redemption without premium until April 1, 1942, and in its application waives the premium entirely. We have no difficulty in approving such waiver in the circumstances here present, including the interference by Columbia Oil with the proposed earlier redemption.

The circumstances surrounding the origin of the stock have been reviewed with great care in line with our policy, heretofore announced and applied, of preventing holding companies from exercising their controlling influence and strategic position with respect to their subsidiaries so as to profit at the expense of other interests therein. In the present case, despite the evident difficulties in any attempt at allocation of the cost items, there may be some basis for a contention that Columbia Oil purchased the claims which ripened into the class A and Class B stock at a discount. There are, however, two countervailing factors. The first is that Panhandle Eastern itself received full value in money or money's worth for the stock in the surrender of the promissory notes and the unpaid accrued interest thereon in the total amount of \$11,331,000. The second and more important is that the only other group even contingently interested in the corporation at that time, to wit, the Hillman group and the Mokan receivers, acquiesced in the purchase of the claims and the issuance of the securities with full knowledge of the facts and as part of a total settlement of all claims and cross claims. These considerations make it unnecessary in the present situation to limit the claim to cost.

In view of the pendency of a judicial action to cause Columbia Oil to account for any excessive dividends received by it as a result of its refusal to permit the earlier refunding of the Class A stock, we shall in the present instance make no ruling as to the propriety of offsetting that item against the price to be paid for the stock. The matter is one lending itself to a judicial determination and Mokan, by far, the largest minority stockholder in Panhandle Eastern, has stated that the issues involved should be left to such determination. While so ruling in the present instance, giving weight to the present acquiescence to the refunding, and without attempting to pass upon the merits of such claims and defenses as may be present in the pending action, we take the opportunity to warn against the interference by holding companies with desirable refinancing of subsidiary companies and to indicate that all necessary measures will be taken to deal with such abuse wherever it may be found.

Since we find no reason to modify the price to be paid for the stock and since in all other respects the standards of Section 12 (c) and, to the extent to which they may be applicable, the requirements of Section 10 are clearly complied with, the application and declarations with respect to the disposition and acquisition of the Class A stock at par are approved as filed.

#### Sale and Acquisition of Michigan Gas, Indiana Gas and Ohio Fuel Properties

There again seems to be no question among the many conflicting interests represented in the present proceeding that it is in the public interest that Michigan Gas be acquired by Panhandle Eastern. The functional relationship of Michigan Gas to Panhandle Eastern and its lack of such relationship to the remainder of the Columbia Gas system would seem clearly to support this conclusion.

Michigan Gas was built in the first instance as an extension of Panhandle Eastern, giving the latter an outlet to the Detroit market. All the gas sold or transported by Michigan Gas since 1937 has been gas taken from the Panhandle Eastern line and at the present time Michigan Gas is engaged principally in transporting gas for the account of Panhandle Eastern. The only portion of the remainder of the Columbia Gas system to which gas is delivered through the Michigan Gas line is Indiana Gas, which it is also proposed that Panhandle Eastern acquire as part of the same transaction.

Similarly, Indiana Gas and the pipe lines of Ohio Fuel proposed to be acquired by Panhandle Eastern bear no operating relationship to any portion of the Columbia system other than Panhandle Eastern and Michigan Gas. In brief, Panhandle Eastern together with Michigan Gas, Indiana Gas, and the Ohio Fuel lines and property proposed to be acquired themselves constitute an inter-related gas production, transmission and distribution system which is entirely separate from and unrelated to any of the other activities of the Columbia system, deriving its gas in a different area and distributing it in different markets.

As an intra-system transaction, the sale and acquisition will, of course, have no tendency toward interlocking relationships of the concentration of control of public utility companies so as to contravene the provisions of Section 10 (b) (1). So also, not only will the acquisition not tend unduly to complicate the capital structure of the Columbia Gas system within the meaning of Section 10 (b) (3) but it should ultimately, at least, result in a simplification of the system and its capital structure.

While we are not, at the present time, concerned directly with that portion of the consolidated proceeding relating to the divocation of Panhandle Eastern from Columbia Gas, it has already been noted that the retention of control over the former by the latter has been the subject of an anti-trust suit brought by the Department of Justice and that in its Petition of December 1938, to reopen the Consent Decree, previously entered in the action, the Department of Justice based its contention that the Consent Decree had been ineffective to achieve the results sought to be accomplished therein, principally on the ground that the control by Columbia Gas of Michigan Gas has enabled it to exercise a control, contrary to the public interest, over Panhandle Eastern. Without making any attempt to pass upon the

merits of this contention, the conclusion seems permissible that the proposed sale and acquisition may reasonably be deemed not to be detrimental to the interests of consumers but should prove beneficial.

Since Michigan Gas is a non-utility operating company, the transaction, insofar as it concerns it, must be tested under the standards of Section 10 (c) (1) rather than those of Section 10 (c) (2). As is apparent from the foregoing discussion, it not only would satisfy the requirements of either subsection since the sale and acquisition are not contrary to the requirements of Section 11 but might well be required as a step toward the economical and efficient development of an integrated Columbia Gas System. The interests in Indiana Gas and the Ohio Fuel pipe lines do constitute securities and utility assets of public utility companies, respectively, but here again by reason of their lack of relationship to the Columbia Gas system, their sale as a step in their divocation from the system will tend toward compliance with Section 11 (b) (1). Hence, no adverse findings need be made with respect to the proposed transactions under Section 10 (c).

An opinion of counsel has been submitted to the effect that all state laws applicable to the proposed transactions have been complied with. Since nothing appears to the contrary, the provisions of Section 10 (f) are:

The price fixed in the applications for the sale and acquisition of Michigan Gas is stated to be the actual investment of Columbia Gas therein plus any undistributed surplus of Michigan Gas at the time of the consummation of the transaction. With the exception of one item, the record indicates that the figure stated in the application, \$10,780,840, as constituting the investment of Columbia Gas in Michigan Gas plus surplus at Sept. 30, 1941, constitutes actual system expenditures and is equal to net plant account after depreciation less the excess of current liabilities over current assets.

The one questionable item is the amount of \$139,424 paid as a fee by Indiana Gas Transmission Corporation, a company subsequently merged into Michigan Gas, to The Columbia Gas Construction Co., another wholly-owned subsidiary of Columbia Gas. This item represents an intercompany profit. At the hearing, a representative of Columbia Gas sought to justify the inclusion of this item in the investment by reason of the implied limitation contained in Rule U-90 to intercompany transaction subsequent to the passage of the Act since the fee in question was paid prior to that time. The question here, however, is not whether the fee was a proper expense to Michigan Gas or was properly received by The Columbia Gas Construction Co., but it is whether it properly constitutes an investment by Columbia Gas in Michigan Gas. Since Columbia Gas, as the sole owner of The Columbia Gas Construction Co., in effect, received the profit which Michigan Gas paid, it cannot possibly be claimed that it represents a system expenditure in Michigan Gas, and hence is not properly included in the investment account. It appears from the record, however, that this item had been depreciated as of Sept. 30, 1941 in the amount of \$34,500 since it was set up. We shall, therefore, not allow the undepreciated portion of this item (\$104,924 as of Sept. 30, 1941) to be included in the computation of the price. Columbia Gas has agreed to the exclusion of this item.

A more fundamental question arises with respect to the propriety of the basis employed, i.e., investment cost, in computing the price. It has been suggested that Columbia Gas cannot be considered the beneficial owner of Michigan Gas, but occupies, instead, the position of a constructive trustee and that the price should be computed on that basis, subtracting from the investment of Columbia Gas in Michigan Gas the profits which it has received since its construction.

There would seem to be no question but that Panhandle Eastern was subject to a controlling influence by Columbia Gas at the time of the construction of the "Detroit Extension." Such conclusion is inescapable from the record and our previous findings and opinion in passing upon applications of Panhandle Eastern and Columbia Oil under Section 2 (a) (8). It is equally clear that the extension might well be considered a corporate opportunity belonging to Panhandle Eastern as a natural and necessary adjunct to its operations, bearing little relation to the operations of the remainder of the Columbia system. While Panhandle Eastern was unable at the time itself to finance the construction of the extension by reason of insolvency resulting from the default on its 6% promissory notes, there is some indication that this might have been the result of the wrong exercise of their control by the Columbia interests. Moreover, under the decision in Irving Trust Co. vs. Deutsch, 73 F. (2d) 121, such financial inability even if it existed would not constitute a defense to Columbia Gas for its breach of fiduciary obligation in appropriating the corporate opportunity.

Again, however, it must be noted that the only persons even contingently interested in Panhandle Eastern at the time of the "wrong" other than Columbia Gas and Columbia Oil were the receivers and the Hillman group. They were therefore the sole beneficiaries of the fiduciary obligation imposed on Columbia Gas by reason of its control over Panhandle Eastern. Accordingly, the transactions with those groups under the settlement agreement of June 1, 1936, approximately seven months after the organization of Michigan Gas and at a time when the Detroit extension was almost completed, would seem to make inappropriate the imposition of constructive trust on the above theory.

Mokan, however, has advanced the contention that the releases given expressly excepted such rights as might flow from the agreement itself and from the Consent Decree and that the latter properly construed makes it clear "that the ownership of Michigan Gas stock and indebtedness by Columbia Gas, cannot be a full beneficial ownership, but must be only such ownership as will secure the repayment of advances." The portion of the Consent Decree relied upon for this position is as follows:

"That the defendants be and they are hereby perpetually enjoined from . . . interfering in any manner in the freedom of Panhandle Eastern to contract or to finance or arrange the financing of all contracts, extensions (including the proposed new line to Detroit, whether or not built and owned by it), . . ."

That if such contracts be made or financial assistance be secured from Columbia Gas, such contracts may be made or financial assistance furnished upon terms or conditions which do not in any way, directly or indirectly, presently or potentially, . . . confer any rights of ownership in the works or properties of Panhandle Eastern except as security for the investment . . ."

It is apparent from reading the matter above quoted that any attempt to give the decree the claimed effect would involve the construction of the mandate of a court in the light of all the circumstances surrounding its issuance at a time when that very court itself is being asked to construe it. We therefore again find it inappropriate to pass upon the merits of the issue. Our present ruling will, of course, not affect any rights of action or to an accounting which Panhandle Eastern or its stockholders may have.

A capitalization of the present earnings of Michigan Gas might justify a higher price than investment cost in an arm's-length bargain. Here again, countervailing factors, difficult to assess, are present. The rates charged by both Michigan Gas and Panhandle Eastern giving rise to the present earnings are being reviewed at the present time by the Federal Power Commission and may be subject to a downward revision. Moreover, the allocation of earnings between Panhandle Eastern and Michigan Gas is based upon a contract between the parties, which might be subjected to some question. In view of all the attendant circumstances we conclude that the sale of Michigan Gas at a price based upon Columbia Gas's investment cost as adjusted herein is not unreasonable.

The proposed price for Indiana Gas, \$153,698 also represents actual investment of Columbia Gas therein and no question has been raised nor does any appear in the record with respect to the computation of such investment or its use as a basis.

The proposed price of Ohio Fuel properties is \$439,326. This price is considerably below the estimated original cost of the lines and is based upon the sale price in an arm's-length transaction to a non-affiliate of similar properties in the same area. No adequate cost figure is available and so far as appears from the record, the price represents a reasonable approximation to the value of the property.

The applications and declarations with respect to these transactions are therefore approved except that we direct that the price to be paid to Columbia Gas for Michigan Gas shall not include the item of \$104,924 as of Sept. 30, 1941, described above.

#### Acquisition and Disposition of Columbia Oil Debentures

By reason of the recapitalization of 1936 and subsequent advances in that year and 1937 from Columbia Gas to Columbia Oil, Columbia Gas received \$21,000,000 of Columbia Oil debentures carrying interest of 3% for two years and increasing 1% a year until February, 1940, when the interest rate became 6%. Through the operation of the sinking fund provision, the face amount of debentures outstanding has been reduced by \$600,000 so that it is now \$20,400,000. In the present application and declarations, Columbia Oil is to use the \$10,000,000 to be received by it from the disposition of the Panhandle Eastern class A preferred stock plus \$1,000,000 of cash now held by

it for the redemption of \$11,000,000 face amount of the debentures at their face amount. In its declaration, Columbia Gas has agreed to accept the face amount, thereby waiving the four-point premium now payable on retirement of the debentures under the terms thereof.

The reduction of the outstanding debt of Columbia Oil by the amount proposed and the receipt by Columbia Gas of an equivalent amount of cash are in the public interest and in the interest of investors of both companies as well as of consumers. The transaction complies with the requirements of Sections 12 (c) and 12 (f) as well as the standards of Section 10, to the extent that the latter are applicable.

#### Proposed Financing by Panhandle Eastern

Panhandle Eastern proposes to issue and sell \$10,000,000 of first mortgage bonds and \$15,000,000 par value of preferred stock at competitive bidding.

It proposes to devote the proceeds from these securities, plus cash on hand and to be derived from operations, to the following purposes:

(1) Retirement of its class A preferred stock	\$10,000,000
(2) Acquisition of assets—	
Stock and debt of Michigan Gas	10,675,917
Stock and debt of Indiana Gas	153,698
Lines of Ohio Fuel Gas	439,326
(3) Construction expenditures—	
Panhandle Eastern	8,493,700
Illinois Natural Gas	254,300
Total	\$30,016,941

The construction program indicated consists of the extension of Panhandle Eastern's lines into the State of Michigan so as to supply natural gas to Consumers Power Co.; the increase of the capacity of its main line from Texas to Dana, Ind., through the construction of 146 miles of looping, and additions to compressor facilities. It is estimated that the construction will be completed by the middle of 1942.—V. 154, p. 1523.

#### Columbus & Greenville Ry.—Earnings

December	1941	1940	1939	1938
Gross from railway	\$112,050	\$96,018	\$105,455	\$154,613
Net from railway	*25,135	490	*52,282	33,649
Net ry. oper. income	*21,682	*2,211	*62,341	8,668
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	1,352,301	1,177,721	1,411,642	1,283,312
Net from railway	266,869	190,196	217,424	223,916
Net ry. oper. income	117,586	67,202	92,599	125,786
*Deficit.—V. 154, p. 188.				

#### Commonwealth Edison Co.—Weekly Output

Last week's electricity output of the Commonwealth Edison group of companies, excluding sales to other electric utilities, showed a 7.6% increase over the corresponding period of 1941. Following are the kilowatthour output totals of the past four weeks and percentage comparisons with last year:

Week Ended	1942	1941	% Inc.
Jan. 24	164,103,000	152,546,000	7.6
Jan. 17	165,277,000	154,442,000	7.0
Jan. 10	175,528,000	153,993,000	14.0
Jan. 3	162,014,000	145,738,000	11.2
V. 155, p. 360.			

#### Commonwealth & Southern Corp.—Weekly Output

The weekly kilowatt-hour output of electric energy of subsidiaries of this corporation adjusted to show general business conditions of territory served for the week ended Jan. 22, 1942, amounted to 203,944,789 as compared with 182,147,520 for the corresponding week in 1941, an increase of 21,797,269, or 11.97%—V. 155, p. 360.

#### Connecticut Light & Power Co.—Initial Dividends

The directors have declared initial dividends of 68 1/2 cents per share on the new \$2.40 dividend preferred stock, no par value, and 23.8 cents per share on the new \$2.20 dividend preferred stock, no par value, both payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 5.

The dividend on the \$2.40 preferred stock is at the rate of \$2.75 per share per annum, or at the same rate as paid on the old 5 1/2% preferred stock (in accordance with the terms of the recent exchange offer). From March 1, 1942, dividends will accrue at the \$2.40 annual rate.

The dividend on the \$2.20 preferred stock represents the accumulation from Jan. 22—the issuance date—to March 1, 1942.—V. 155, p. 360.

#### Consolidated Edison Co. of New York, Inc.—To Pay 40-Cent Dividend

The directors have declared a dividend of 40 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 16 to holders of record Feb. 6. A like amount was paid on Sept. 15 and Dec. 15, last, as against 50 cents in previous quarters.

#### Output

The company announced production of the electric plants of its system for the week ending Jan. 25, 1942, amounting to 160,400,000 kwh., compared with 157,300,000 kwh. for the corresponding week of 1941, an increase of 1.9%.

#### Sells Generator to U. S. Government

The U. S. Government, in its efforts to expedite the production of vitally necessary metals, has purchased through the Defense Plant Corporation a large generator from the Consolidated Edison Co. and plans the immediate removal of the equipment from the Hell Gate (New York City) station to Freeport, Tex., site of the Dow Chemical Co.'s magnesium plant, it was announced on Jan. 22.

The Defense Plant Corporation, in addition to buying the generator, purchased six boilers which deliver 155,000 pounds of steam an hour each. The generator has been in service for more than 10 years, and at the close of 1940 had an installed capacity of 805,000 kilowatt hours.—V. 155, p. 360.

#### Consolidated Gas, Electric Light & Power Co. of Baltimore—Earnings

Period End, Dec. 31— 1941—3 Mos.—1940 1941—12 Mos.—1940  
Total oper. revenues \$11,486,184 \$10,390,209 \$43,103,465 \$39,195,928

Operating expenses 5,737,820 5,506,218 22,518,863 20,940,150  
Depreciation 1,577,676 1,025,504 4,607,959 3,869,013  
Taxes 1,720,329 1,801,471 7,184,912 6,200,237

Operating income \$2,450,358 \$2,057,016 \$8,791,771 \$8,136,522  
Other income 97,411 157,541 463,549 660,189

Gross income \$2,547,769 \$2,214,557 \$9,255,279 \$8,846,718  
Interest and amort. of premium on bonds 607,019 582,823 2,472,732 2,345,310  
Other deductions 37,309 84,264 81,164 246,084

Net income \$1,903,441 \$1,547,470 \$6,701,383 \$6,255,324  
Divs. on pref. stock 319,729 319,729 1,278,917 1,106,597  
Divs. on common stock 1,050,657 1,050,657 4,202,629 4,202,629

Balance \$533,055 \$177,084 \$1,219,837 \$946,099  
Earnings per share of common stock \$1.36 \$1.05 \$4.64 \$4.41  
—V. 155, p. 49.

Investment in special situations 3,466,655 10.35  
Rail securities 97,248 2.08

Preferred stocks 675,525 2.02  
Real estate 647,436 1.93  
Cash, Governments, receivables, etc.—net 424,673 1.26

Total \$12,013,839 \$35.86

#### Consolidated Investment Trust—Report to Shareholders

At the close of business Dec. 31, 1941, the 335,055 shares outstanding had a net asset value of \$35.86 per share based on market or estimated value of the assets on that date. On Dec. 31, 1940, the outstanding shares had a corresponding net asset value of \$36.79.

The total net assets of the Trust at market or estimated values amounted to \$12,013,839 as of Dec. 31, 1941. The holdings of the Trust were made up of the following types of assets:

Amount  
Investment equities \$6,102,303 \$18.22

Income for the year 1941 from interest, dividends and net rentals amounted to \$819,747.68. After deducting total expenses of \$60,983, which include capital stock and miscellaneous taxes, net investment income amounted to \$758,764.47, or \$2.26 on each share outstanding on Dec. 31, 1941. These earnings do not reflect losses taken on the sale of securities nor profits on recoveries which are shown in the capital gain surplus account. The comparable net income for the year 1940 was \$611,632, or \$1.82 per share.

Dividend payments during 1941 totaled \$2.30 per share and were paid from current income and income surplus. No dividends were paid from capital. It is the company's understanding that all dividend distributions made by the Trust in 1941 represent taxable income to shareholders under the Federal income tax laws.

#### Balance Sheet as of Dec. 31, 1941

Assets		1941	1940	Period Ended Dec. 31
Cash		\$310,726		1941—3 Mos.—1940
Investments (market or estimated value, \$11,016,730)	11,098,502		\$12,098,056	\$57,833,994 \$47,373,794
Accrued interest receivable	4,068		9,228,521	41,636,221 35,731,779
Real estate (estimated value, \$647,436)	767,631			
Deferred real estate expense	27,898			
Deferred capital stock tax	1,875			
Total		\$13,023,082		
Liabilities				
Accounts payable		\$2,906		
Accrued expenses		157		
Reserve for taxes		4,212		
Capital stock (\$1 par)		335,055		
Paid-in surplus		9,764,212		
Capital gain surplus		2,792,455		
Income surplus		124,085		
Total		\$13,023,082		

#### Consolidated Paper Co.—25-Cent Dividend—Earnings

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, par \$10, payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 18. During 1941 the following distributions were made on this issue: March 1, June 1 and Sept. 1, 25 cents each, and Dec. 1, 50 cents.

Calendar Years 1941 1940  
Net profit \*\$1,448,754 \$1,267,063  
Earnings per share on 750,000 shares outstanding. \$1.93 \$1.69

\*After provision of \$1,456,281 for Federal income and excess profits taxes, etc.—V. 154, p. 1262.

#### Continental Cushion Spring Co.—Extra Dividend

The directors on Jan. 20 declared an extra dividend of 2 cents per share and the regular dividend of 3 cents per share on the common stock, both payable Feb. 15 to holders of record Jan. 31.

In 1941, payments were made as follows: Feb. 15, 3 cents; Aug. 15 and Nov. 15, 4 1/2 cents each.—V. 154, p. 1190.

#### Continental Insurance Co.—Income Statement

Years Ended Dec. 31— 1941 1940 1939 1938

Underwriting—premiums written \$25,798,966 \$21,729,016 \$19,046,775 \$19,355,772

Increase in unearned premium reserves 2,459,750 1,269,856 \*47,277 \*796,556

Premiums earned \$23,339,216 \$20,459,159 \$19,094,052 \$20,152,328

Losses 12,398,840 9,898,335 8,697,060 9,216,457

Expenses 10,744,065 9,303,175 8,818,086 8,796,521

Underwriting profit and loss items 35,502 22,618

Investment interest, divs. & rents \$4,993,977 \$4,720,521 \$4,534,848 \$4,031,969

Expenses 249,016 240,891 413,685 428,911

\$4,744,963 \$4,479,629 \$4,121,163 \$3,603,058

Balance \$4,941,274 \$5,737,279 \$5,664,567 \$5,719,790

Net surplus from preceding year 64,715,378 66,076,028 62,314,404 51,759,597

Decrease in special reserve 28,045 59,039

Increase in market value of stocks and bonds (net) 2,074,462 8,555,646

Profit on sale of securities 228,686

Total \$69,913,383 \$71,813,306 \$70,113,374 \$66,035,033

Increase in special reserve 45,690 50,704

Loss on sales of stocks & bonds (net) 30,970 37,364 70,554

Decrease in market value of stocks and bonds (net) 6,364,501 3,021,286

Cash dividends declared 4,399,980 3,999,982 3,999,982 3,599,370

Net surplus at Dec. 31 \$59,148,902 \$64,715,378 \$66,076,028 \$62,314,404

\*Decrease.

#### Balance Sheet, Dec. 31

Assets 1941 1940

Bonds and stocks \$87,302,703 \$88,115,599

Real estate 932,434 903,935

Premiums in course of collection 2,919,031 2,878,448

Accrued interest, rents 249,170 256,977

Cash 7,543,368 6,025,322

Total \$98,946,705 \$98,180,281

\*Representing difference between total values carried in assets for all bonds and stocks owned and total values based on Dec. 3

**Detroit Toledo & Ironton RR.—Earnings**

December	1941	1940	1939	1938
Gross from railway	\$707,087	\$756,668	\$674,642	\$621,644
Net from railway	331,670	420,090	330,603	335,602
Net ry. oper. income	351,582	261,095	226,612	254,114
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	8,771,438	7,540,197	6,702,308	5,093,589
Net from railway	4,513,324	3,596,583	2,990,547	1,854,559
Net ry. oper. income	3,019,404	2,293,963	1,991,456	1,176,310

**Diana Stores Corp., N. Y. City—Stocks Offered**—A syndicate headed by Smith, Burris & Co. and Tobey & Co. on Jan. 28 offered to the public 20,000 shares of 6% cumulative convertible preferred stock (par \$10) and 20,000 shares of common stock (par \$1) in units of one share of preferred and one share of common at \$14 a unit.

Transfer agent and registrar, Manufacturers Trust Co., 55 Broad St., N. Y. City.

Each share of 6% cumulative convertible preferred stock is convertible into two shares of common stock at any time up to ten days before redemption, provision being made for adjustment of conversion rights in certain events. Dividends at the rate of 60 cents per share per annum are payable QM on the preferred stock, which is entitled to \$10.50 in voluntary liquidation or \$10 in involuntary liquidation, plus in either case accumulated dividends before any payments on the common stock. Preferred stock is redeemable in whole or in part on notice at \$10.50 per share and accumulated dividends.

**Business and History**—Corporation operates a chain of 25 retail women's apparel stores, located in Florida, Georgia, North and South Carolina, Alabama and Virginia. Company's executive, control and buying offices, and its stockrooms, are located in New York City. Company does no manufacturing. Company owns no real estate. All stores are modern in design and appointments, and all except one are air-conditioned.

The business was started Aug. 1, 1938, with 2 stores. From time to time thereafter new stores have been added. From the outset the growth of the chain has been steady. All stores are being profitably operated. The increase of sales is due to increased sales by individual stores as well as to the increase in the number of stores.

**Sales and Earnings for Fiscal Years Ended July 31**

	Net	Profit on	Average	
	Sales	Profits after Taxes	Capital	
1939	\$420,772	\$14,337	22.04%	
1940	824,374	37,404	28.75%	
1941	1,343,233	56,726	31.06%	
1941 (3 mos. Oct. 31)	*466,982	*24,345	9.21%	

\*Does not include new Jacksonville store, which opened Nov. 1, 1941, whose sales during the first month of operation amounted to \$56,389. Does not include Waycross store opened Nov. 29, 1941.

**Capitalization**—Authorized Outstanding  
6% cumul. conv. pref. stock (par \$10) 50,000 shs. 30,000 shs.  
Common stock (\$1 par) 200,000 shs. 70,000 shs.

**Sinking Fund**—10% of net profits, after preferred dividend requirements, are to be used each year as a sinking fund to retire preferred stock, either by open-market purchase or call. Call price, \$10.50 per share.

**Proceeds**—All of the net proceeds of this financing accrue to the company. Proceeds will be used to reimburse working capital for expenditures made and incurred for new stores opened, for increased inventories, and for general corporate purposes, including the opening of additional stores from time to time as conditions warrant, and the management considers advisable.

**Balance Sheet as at Oct. 31, 1941**

Assets	To be			
Cash on hand and in banks	\$65,082			
Will-call accounts receivable	91,478			
Inventories	298,500			
Other current assets	1,943			
Fixed assets (less depreciation)	115,524			
Deferred charges	31,410			
Other assets	36,341			
Total	\$640,278			
Liabilities				
Notes payable—bank	\$75,000			
Loan payable—bank	7,304			
Loans payable—others	5,119			
Accounts payable—trade	160,391			
Accrued liabilities	56,198			
Other current liabilities	17,156			
Long term debt	12,008			
Reserve for unrealized profit on will-call balances	32,017			
6% cumulative convertible preferred stock	100,000			
Common stock (\$1 par)	50,000			
Earned surplus	125,084			
Total	\$640,278			

\*V. 155, p. 188.

**Duluth Winnipeg & Pacific Ry.—Earnings**

December	1941	1940	1939	1938
Gross from railway	\$157,933	\$171,563	\$125,017	\$85,007
Net from railway	41,167	67,016	38,700	6,369
Net ry. oper. income	8,478	40,025	13,887	*10,337
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	1,689,985	1,537,948	1,350,774	1,102,202
Net from railway	361,527	338,381	216,475	*44,407
Net ry. oper. income	32,423	34,584	*51,439	*234,672
*Deficit	V. 155, p. 188.			

**Eastern Massachusetts Street Ry.—Earnings**

Period End Dec. 31—	1941	1940	1941—12 Mos.	1940
Railway oper. revenues	\$743,093	\$670,738	\$8,052,316	\$7,204,036
Railway oper. expenses	449,149	402,617	4,981,539	4,551,370
Taxes	85,179	73,057	1,046,135	759,009
Operating income	\$208,765	\$195,064	\$2,024,642	\$1,893,657
Other income	3,930	5,394	45,261	59,816
Gross corp. income	\$212,695	\$200,458	\$2,069,903	\$1,953,473
Interest on funded debt, rents, etc.	35,362	41,342	441,611	510,760
Available for depreciation, divs. etc.	\$177,333	\$159,116	\$1,628,292	\$1,442,713
Depreciation	95,365	85,003	1,076,108	1,019,567
Net inc. before provision for retirement losses	\$81,968	\$74,113	\$552,184	\$423,146
V. 155, p. 80.				

**Ebasco Services, Inc.—Weekly Input**

For the week ended Jan. 22, 1942, the system inputs of client operating companies of Ebasco Services, Inc., which are subsidiaries of American Power & Light Co., Electric Power & Light Corp., and National Power & Light Co., as compared with the corresponding week during 1941 were as follows:

	Thousands of Kilowatt-Hours	Increase—
Operating subsidiaries of—	1942	1941
American Power & Light Co.	158,078	132,148
Electric Power & Light Co.	76,053	65,959
National Power & Light Co.	107,775	86,746
		21,029
		24.2

The above figures do not include the system inputs of any companies not appearing in both periods.—V. 155, p. 361.

**Elgin National Watch Co.—25-Cent Dividend**

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 23 to holders of record March 7.

On Dec. 22, last, a distribution of \$2.25 per share was made, as against 25 cents each on March 24, June 23, and Sept. 22, 1941. It was erroneously stated in the "Chronicle" of Dec. 6, 1941, that the dividends in the first three quarters of that year were 75 cents each.—V. 154, p. 1376.

**Equitable Investment Corp. of Mass.—Earnings**

Earnings for the Year Ended Dec. 31, 1941				
Income			\$13,395	
Expenses			2,462	

Net income from dividends \$10,933

Cash dividends paid 10,506

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

Assets—Investments (at cost), \$222,200; cash, \$3,873; dividends receivable, \$408; total, \$226,480.

Liabilities—Accounts payable and accrued expenses, \$916; capital stock (\$5 par), \$38,460; paid-in surplus, \$202,435; deficit, \$15,331; total, \$226,480.

Note—the net assets of the corporation at Dec. 31, 1941, taken at market quotations amounted to \$167,890, the equivalent of \$21.83 per outstanding share.—V. 154, p. 1630.

**Equity Corp.—Annual Report**

The report of the corporation for the year ended Dec. 31, 1941, shows net assets as of Dec. 31 equivalent to \$3,737.23 per \$1,000 face value of assumed debentures and \$42.59 per share of \$3 convertible preferred stock (preference in liquidation \$50 per share and accumulated dividends). The net assets as shown in the respective reports amounted to \$4,272.97 per \$1,000 debenture and \$50.30 per preferred share at Dec. 31, 1940, and to \$4,374.09 per \$1,000 debenture, \$53.86 per preferred share, and \$0.02 per common share at Sept. 30, 1941.

**Income Account for Calendar Years**

	1941	1940	1939	1938
Income—Cash dividends	\$429,995	\$423,511	\$426,210	\$356,932
Int. earned on bonds	27,447	23,261	35,585	15,927
Miscellaneous income	1,872	2,867	3,432	1,781

	1941	1940	1939	1938
Total income	\$459,314	\$449,639	\$465,226	\$374,640
Operating expenses	77,203	87,848	84,204	112,322
Interest on debentures	167,500	167,500	167,500	167,500
Int. on bank indebted...	133	—	21,374	1,344
Taxes refunded to debenture holders and taxes paid at source	3,352	3,517	3,156	2,603
Provision for taxes	17,032	33,801	36,847	36,151

Excess of income over expenses

Pref. divs. out of surp. 315,313 371,301 772,996 785,118

Balance Sheet, Dec. 31

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purchasers were not named. This disclosure has caused an indefinite recess in hearings on a plan of reorganization for Great Lakes filed several weeks ago because the original plan must be revised. Tentative arrangements, the SEC was told, call for sale of Gas Corp. of Michigan for \$750,000, plus net current assets estimated at \$50,000, and of Martinsville Gas Co. and Virginia Gas & Utilities Co. for a total of \$90,000.—V. 155, p. 89.

#### Green Bay & Western RR.—\$5 Div.—Int. Payments—

The directors have declared a dividend of \$5 per share on the capital stock, payable on Feb. 18, out of net earnings of the calendar year 1941, to holders of record Feb. 7. A similar distribution was made on Feb. 14, 1941, Feb. 19, 1940, Feb. 14, 1939 and on Dec. 21, 1937.

The directors also authorized the payment on and after Feb. 18 of 5% on the class A debentures and 1% on the class B debentures. On Feb. 14, last year, the company paid 5% on the class A debentures and 1/2 of 1% on the class B debentures. These interest payments will be made at 20 Exchange Place, N. Y. City, Secretary C. W. Cox announced.—V. 155, p. 190.

#### (Daniel) Green Co.—\$1.40 Common Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of \$1.40 per share on the common stock, payable March 2 to holders of record Feb. 16. This compares with \$3 per share paid on Dec. 22, last, \$2 on Oct. 1, last, \$1 on March 12, 1941, \$4 on Dec. 23, 1940, and 60 cents on Feb. 23, 1940.—V. 154, p. 1596.

#### Gulf Mobile & Ohio RR.—Earnings—

	1941	1940	1939
Gross from railway	\$2,039,287	\$1,578,957	\$1,528,267
Net from railway	230,475	447,980	381,687
Net railway operating income	134,912	154,216	173,668
From Jan. 1			
Gross from railway	23,647,846	18,701,182	18,660,835
Net from railway	7,521,323	4,402,394	4,798,030
Net railway operating income	3,661,460	1,505,525	2,154,857
—V. 155, p. 51.			

#### Guysborough Mines, Ltd.—Earnings—

	1941	1940	1939
Tons of ore milled	6,651	7,605	7,867
Net income	\$47,576	\$56,725	\$78,855
Operating costs	37,732	61,175	49,669
Operating profit	\$9,844	\$4,449	\$27,186
Non-operating revenue		279	1,314
Profit before write-offs	\$9,844	\$4,170	\$28,500
*Loss.—V. 154, p. 864.			

#### Harnischfeger Corp.—New Division Head—

The corporation announces that R. H. Sturgeon is now acting head of the large excavator sales division. Mr. Sturgeon will also continue his duties as manager of the small excavator division.—V. 154, p. 797.

#### Hartford Electric Light Co.—To Pay Extra Dividend—

The directors recently declared an extra dividend of 11 1/2 cents per share on the common stock, par \$25, in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 6 1/2 cents per share on the same issue, both payable Feb. 2 to holders of record Jan. 15.

An extra of 4.58 cents per share was paid on the common stock on Feb. 1, last year.—V. 154, p. 1054.

#### Hart Schaffner & Marx—Directors & Officers—

At the annual meeting of the stockholders on Jan. 26, a total of 123,980 shares of stock out of 136,818 shares outstanding, exclusive of 13,182 in the treasury, were represented in person or by proxy. The present directors were all reelected, namely: Mark W. Cresap, Abraham S. Hart, Meyer Kestenbaum, Dewitt Millhauser, Lessing Rosenthal, Joseph Halle Schaffner and Joel Spitz.

At the annual meeting of the directors following the stockholders' meeting, the following officers were elected, namely: Mark W. Cresap, Chairman of the Board; Meyer Kestenbaum, President; Abraham S. Hart, Vice-President; Morris Greenberg, Vice-President in charge of manufacturing; Ray Manning, Vice-President in charge of sales; Bernard A. Rittersporn, 2nd Vice-President in charge of materials; Edmund R. Rieher, 2nd Vice-President in charge of advertising; Henry H. Mayer, 2nd Vice-President in charge of trimmings; Abraham S. Hart, Secretary; Clay E. Steele, Treasurer; Samuel Browne, Comptroller; Morris Neufeld, Asst. Secretary; Morris Neufeld, Asst. Treas. Mark W. Cresap, Abraham S. Hart and Meyer Kestenbaum were reelected by the board of directors to constitute the executive committee of the corporation.—V. 155, p. 399.

#### Hecker Products Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

	1941—3 Mos.—1940	1941—6 Mos.—1940
Profit	\$356,611	\$301,199
Federal tax provision	61,816	16,082
Net profit	\$294,794	\$285,118
Shares of common stock	1,500,000	1,500,000
Earnings per share	\$0.19	\$0.19

\*After providing for foreign exchange losses and depreciation, and including dividends received from Best Foods, Inc.

Notes.—The tax provisions shown above are for Federal income taxes. No provision by the corporation or its consolidated subsidiaries for Federal excess profits taxes is considered necessary.

Dividends paid by Best Foods, Inc., during the quarter ended Dec. 31, 1941, and the six months ended at the same date approximated the company's earnings for those respective periods after all charges including provision for Federal income and excess profits taxes and a reserve against a possible decline in the market prices of its raw materials inventory. Charges to earnings for the purposes of such reserve were \$172,500 for the quarter ended Dec. 31, 1941, and for the six months ended at the same date such charges totaled \$232,500.—V. 154, p. 750.

#### Helena Rubinstein, Inc.—25-Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, payable Feb. 2 to holders of record Jan. 28. During 1941, distributions were made as follows: Feb. 3, 25 cents; May 1 and Aug. 1, 50 cents each; Sept. 30, \$1; and Dec. 24, 25 cents.—V. 154, p. 1596.

#### Hercules Powder Co., Inc.—Annual Report—

##### Consolidated Income Account for Calendar Years

	1941	1940	1939	1938
Net sales of goods & service	\$85,612,161	\$52,429,191	\$41,009,861	\$32,829,714
*Net earn. all sources	20,262,179	10,081,319	6,664,715	3,621,216
Federal taxes	\$14,163,467	4,273,549	1,339,722	553,199

	1941	1940	1939	1938
Net profit	\$6,098,712	\$5,807,770	\$5,324,992	\$3,089,017
Preferred dividends	524,928	524,928	524,928	524,928
Common dividends	3,950,130	3,752,624	3,752,624	1,975,085
Rate of common divs.	(\$3.00)	(\$2.85)	(\$2.85)	(\$1.50)

	1941	1940	1939	1938
Surplus	\$1,623,654	\$1,530,218	\$1,047,441	\$589,024
Previous surplus	16,803,631	15,273,413	14,225,972	13,638,948
Total surplus	\$18,427,285	\$16,803,631	\$15,273,413	\$14,225,972

\*Shares of com. outstanding (no par) 1,316,710 1,316,710 1,316,710 1,316,710  
Earned per sh. on com. \$4.23 \$4.01 \$3.65 \$1.95

\*After deducting all expenses incident to manufacture and sales, ordinary and extraordinary repairs, maintenance of plants, accidents, depreciation, taxes, etc. \*Includes capital stock taxes. \*Average number of shares outstanding. \*Including subsidiaries in Canada, England and Holland. \*Includes \$10,012,005 U. S. excess profits tax in 1941 and \$1,635,116 in 1940.

Note.—In 1940, under a contract to supply smokeless powder, the fund required to construct certain necessary plant additions were contributed to the company. Such funds were not considered or treated as income to the company, and the cost of such plant additions was not capitalized. The Government subjects such funds to

Federal income taxes but no powder having been delivered under the contract in 1940, no Federal income tax liability was deemed to have accrued in that year. Following a discussion of the matter with the Bureau of Internal Revenue on Feb. 28, 1941, an agreement was reached on June 4, 1941, to consider these funds as taxable in 1940, the year in which received, instead of during the period of powder deliveries, which commenced in May, 1941. Accordingly, provision was made for additional Federal tax liability for the year 1940 in the amount of \$725,000, and in order to prorate this expense, a corresponding amount of the cost of the plant additions was capitalized, and was amortized during the remainder of the year.

#### Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31

	1941	1940
Assets—		
Plants and property	\$20,740,937	\$20,826,302
Goodwill	5,000,000	5,000,000
Cash	23,580,312	28,519,137
Accounts receivable	9,674,548	4,987,332
Invest. in associated companies	105,428	89,618
U. S. Government securities	147,327	147,327
Materials & supplies	10,309,404	6,736,245
Finished products	5,161,272	4,674,363
Deferred charges	515,318	436,314
Total	\$75,361,385	\$71,539,776
Liabilities—		
Preferred stock	\$9,619,400	\$9,619,400
Common stock	16,945,850	16,945,850
Accts. payable & accr. accounts	2,876,431	1,887,291
Contract advances	9,716,190	19,431,237
Accrued pref. dividends	131,232	131,232
Deferred credits	24,161	36,714
Federal taxes	14,175,851	4,243,928
Reserves	5,022,458	4,017,968
Capital surplus	4,112,456	4,112,456
Earned surplus	14,314,830	12,691,175
\$Treasury stock	Dr1,577,474	Dr1,577,474
Total	\$75,361,385	\$71,539,776

\*Including subsidiaries in Canada, England and Holland. After depreciation of \$29,950,435 in 1941 and \$20,403,207 in 1940. \*Represented by 1,355,668 no par shares. \$8,706 shares preferred and 38,958 shares common.—V. 155, p. 400.

#### Honolulu Rapid Transit Co., Ltd.—Earnings—

	1941	1940
Period End. Oct. 31	1941—Month—1940	1941—10 Mos.—1940
Gross rev. fr. transport	\$219,317	\$162,180
Total oper. expenses	128,720	101,247
Net rev. fr. transport	\$90,527	\$60,933
Rev. other than transp.	571	1,255
Net rev. from opers.	\$91,168	\$62,198
Taxes assign. to rail-way operations	15,747	12,156
Interest	3,207	1,145
Depreciation	22,500	14,516
Profit and loss	1,605	30,762
Replacements	3,824	35,646
Anticipated abandon-ments—1941	35,000	30,000
Net revenue	\$9,286	\$4,380
V. 155, p. 263.		

#### Hoover Ball & Bearing Co.—New President—

Frank A. Stivers has been elected President to succeed the late Walter C. Mack.—V. 152, p. 1919.

#### Hotel Syracuse, Inc., Syracuse, N. Y.—Bonds Called—

All of the outstanding first mortgage bonds due Aug. 1, 1955, have been called for redemption as of March 1, 1942, at par and interest of 6% per annum from July 1, 1941, to the date of redemption. Payment will be made at The Continental Bank & Trust Co., 30 Broad St., New York, N. Y.—V. 154, p. 797.

#### Houston Electric Co.—Earnings—

	1941—3 Mos.—1940	1941—12 Mos.—1940
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computed, of \$17.43 per share at June 30, 1941, and with \$18.59 per share at Dec. 31, 1940.

The percentage of decline during the year in the net asset value per share of the company's common stock was 12.6%.

## Income Statement Years Ended Dec. 31

	1941	1940
Dividend and interest income	\$255,427	\$225,308
Expenses & taxes other than Fed. income taxes	67,025	77,136
Balance	\$188,402	\$148,171
Provision for Federal income taxes	4,500	6,200
Balance	\$183,902	\$141,971
Equivalent per share on the average number of common shares outstanding	\$0.92	\$0.67

Balance Sheet Dec. 31, 1941

Assets—Cash in banks, \$252,103; interest and dividends receivable, \$5,900; accounts receivable for securities sold, \$3,306; investments at cost, \$3,860,637; total, \$4,122,001.

Liabilities—Accounts payable for securities purchased, \$64,038; other accounts payable and unclaimed dividends, \$2,741; accrued taxes other than Federal income taxes, \$6,779; reserve for Federal income tax, \$4,651; reserve for contingencies, \$20,000; capital stock (\$1 par), \$187,138; capital surplus, \$1,993,646; earned surplus, \$1,843,010; total, \$4,122,001.—V. 155, p. 306.

## (G. R.) Kinney Co., Inc.—Accumulated Dividend

The directors on Jan. 28 declared a quarterly dividend of \$1.25 per share on account of accumulations on the \$5 prior preferred stock, payable Feb. 25 to holders of record Feb. 11. On Dec. 30, last, a distribution of \$1.19 per share was made on this issue, which wiped out all accumulated dividends due through Dec. 31, 1940.

## Consolidated Income Account for Calendar Years

	*1941	1940
Net sales	\$20,073,993	\$15,626,573
Cost of sales and operating expenses	18,550,004	14,871,822
Interest charges	45,193	43,174
Miscellaneous charges (net)	39,069	32,595
Depreciation and amortization	272,660	280,554
Prov. for Fed. income and excess profit taxes	409,000	92,000
Net income	\$758,067	\$306,428
Appropriation for contingencies:		
For future inventory price decline	210,000	
For restoration of manufacturing facilities	15,000	
Balance of net income	\$533,067	\$306,428
*Preliminary. *Before appropriation for contingencies.		

## Consolidated Balance Sheet, Dec. 31

	*1941	1940
Assets—		
Cash	\$597,680	\$565,498
Accounts receivable (net)	358,742	117,865
Merchandise	4,369,094	3,939,791
Prepaid expenses, etc.	222,473	144,903
Cash surrender value life insurance	257,324	232,165
Managers' security deposit (contra)	32,283	32,069
Fixed assets (net)	1,429,942	1,388,902
Less, patents, dies, trademarks and goodwill	3	3
Total	\$7,267,541	\$6,421,196
Liabilities—		
Notes payable—banks (currently)	\$575,000	\$375,000
Accounts payable—trade	673,481	798,148
Accrued and miscellaneous liabilities	51,057	320,479
Federal taxes on income	41,201	102,430
Real estate mortgages	119,000	140,000
Managers' security deposits (contra)	32,283	32,069
Notes payable banks (long-term)	475,000	550,000
Reserves for contingencies	225,000	
\$5 prior preferred stock	3,206,750	3,198,400
\$8 preferred stock	109,400	118,550
Common stock (\$1 par)	201,681	201,508
Capital surplus	97,495	100,584
Earned surplus	684,192	484,028
Total	\$7,267,541	\$6,421,196
*Preliminary.—V. 154, p. 1631.		

## Landers, Frary &amp; Clark Co.—New Works Mgr.

Harold G. Edgerton, formerly general superintendent of the Underwood-Elliott-Fisher Co., has been appointed works manager of Landers, Frary & Clark. Richard L. White, President, announced on Jan. 23.—V. 154, p. 1379.

## Landis Machine Co., St. Louis—Larger Common Div.

The directors have declared four quarterly dividends of 25 cents per share on the common stock, payable Feb. 16, May 15, Aug. 15 and Nov. 16, 1942, to holders of record Feb. 5, May 5, Aug. 5 and Nov. 5, respectively. This compares with 10 cents per share paid each quarter from Feb. 15, 1941, to and including Nov. 15, 1941; 15 cents each on Aug. 15 and Nov. 15, 1940, and 25 cents in preceding quarters. In addition, an extra of 10 cents per share was paid on Dec. 15, 1941.

The directors also declared four regular quarterly dividends of \$1.75 per share on the preferred stock, payable March 15, June 15, Sept. 15 and Dec. 15, to holders of record March 5, June 5, Sept. 5 and Dec. 5, respectively.—V. 152, p. 988.

## Lehigh Valley RR.—Earnings

	1941	1940	1939	1938
Gross from railway	\$4,828,233	\$4,327,978	\$3,969,475	\$3,973,940
Net from railway	1,209,783	1,670,822	1,271,884	1,280,599
Net ry. oper. income	472,311	696,105	816,506	820,918
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	56,750,722	47,479,837	45,358,987	41,230,143
Net from railway	18,087,327	14,256,252	12,566,741	9,715,941
Net ry. oper. income	10,093,506	6,883,261	7,149,326	3,906,449
V. 155, p. 363.				

## Liberty Aircraft Products Corp.—Plans Stock Issues

The corporation has filed a registration statement with the SEC covering 60,000 shares of cumulative convertible preferred stock (no par) and 120,000 shares (\$1 par) common stock.

The common shares will be reserved for issuance upon exercise of conversion rights with respect to the preferred stock. The underwriting group will be headed by E. H. Rollins & Sons, Inc., and other members of this group, together with the offering price per unit will be announced later.

The corporation purchased from Phoenix Securities Corp. on Sept. 12, 1941, some 100,000 shares of the common stock of the Auto Car Co., comprising 5% of the outstanding common stock. This subsidiary company, which has been a major motor truck manufacturer, is now manufacturing scout cars, personnel cars and heavy duty trucks and tractors for the Government. The registration statement says the work of this subsidiary is increasingly turning to war materials, while their commercial output will undoubtedly decrease during the period of the national emergency.

Liberty manufactures and processes parts and equipment for aircraft. This includes struts, propeller hubs, gear boxes, fuel pumps, vacuum cylinders and other plane materials. The company states that the Grumman Aircraft Engineering Corp. is by far its most important customer, Grumman having accounted for approximately three-quarters of Liberty's business during the fiscal year ended Nov. 30, 1941.—V. 154, p. 798.

## Lincoln Mortgage Co.—Debentures Called

The company has called for redemption \$575,000 principal amount of its 10-year 5% cumulative income debentures d' le April 1, 1948, at par plus interest from April 1, 1938, to March 1, 1942, at the rate of 5% per annum, less all interest previously paid or provided thereon. The debentures called by lot will be redeemed on March 1, 1942, at the Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co., 70 Broadway, N. Y. City.—V. 147, p. 363.

## Lincoln National Life Insurance Co.—Extra Dividend

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 20 cents per share on the common stock, par \$10, payable Feb. 2 to holders of record Jan. 21, and four regular quarterly dividends of 30 cents each, payable Feb. 2, May 1, Aug. 1 and Nov. 2, all to holders of record Jan. 21.

An extra dividend of 20 cents per share was also paid on Feb. 1, last year.—V. 152, p. 833.

## Lindsay Light &amp; Chemical Co.—Earnings

Calendar Years—	*1941	1940
Net earnings	\$11,779	\$94,431
Earnings per share of common stock	\$1.57	\$1.26

\*Preliminary.

## 20-Cent Dividend

The directors have declared a dividend of 20 cents per share on the common stock, payable Feb. 20 to holders of record Feb. 7. Last year the company made distributions as follows: Feb. 17, 15 cents, and on May 15, Aug. 18 and Nov. 24, 20 cents each.—V. 154, p. 908.

## Liquid Carbonic Corp.—New Pref. Issue

Stockholders will be asked at a special meeting next month to approve the proposal to offer a new issue of 30,000 shares (\$100 par) preferred stock. It is expected that proceeds from this financing will be used for general corporate purposes, including expansion of plant facilities, and may be used in part to pay off some of the outstanding bank loans, which stood at \$3,150,000 on last Sept. 30.—V. 154, p. 1530.

## Live Oak, Perry &amp; Gulf RR.—Abandonment

The ICC on Jan. 16 issued a certificate permitting abandonment by the company of a line of railroad extending from a point west of Perry to the end of the track at Scanlon, approximately 18 miles, in Taylor County, Fla.—V. 135, p. 4031.

## Loew's, Inc.—Earnings

12 Weeks Ended—	Nov. 20, '41	Nov. 21, '40
Company's share oper. prof. after sub. pref. div.	\$5,778,132	\$3,805,235
Reserve for contingencies	1,000,000	500,000
Reserve for depreciation	736,370	757,564

\*Company's share profit before Fed. taxes \$4,041,762 \$2,547,691 Reserve for Fed. income taxes 1,180,617 611,446 Reserve for excess profits taxes 234,000

\*Company's share net profit after taxes \$2,627,145 \$1,936,245 Earnings per share of com. stk. (after deduct. pref. divs.) \$1.45 \$1.04

\*Subject to reserve on account of such foreign funds as may be restricted, and to year-end audit.—V. 155, p. 264.

## Long Star Cement Corp. (&amp; Subs.)—Earnings

Period End Dec. 31—	1941—3 Mos.	1940—12 Mos.
Sales	\$8,384,201	\$6,554,084
Cost of sales	4,455,623	3,457,861
Selling and adm. exp.	938,126	888,341
Operating profit	\$2,990,452	\$2,207,882
Miscellaneous income	128,307	87,605
Total income	\$3,118,758	\$2,295,487
*Prov. for income, ex- cess profits, capital stk. & franch. tax, etc.	1,268,762	558,113
Prov. for depreciation and depletion	501,589	653,543
+Misc. charges	175,013	CR\$5,379
Net profit	\$1,773,395	\$1,169,210
Shares of com. stock (no par)	948,597	968,765
Earnings per share	\$1.24	\$1.21

\*Other than the taxes which are charged directly to costs or other accounts. \*Including provision for doubtful accounts and contingencies.

Notes—The results of the foreign subsidiary companies included above are figured at the average exchange rates, except as to the provisions for depreciation and depletion which is based on the dollar value of fixed assets at the time of acquisition.

Included in the provision for taxes for the year 1941 is an amount of \$3,529,342, representing estimated Federal income and excess profits taxes as compared with \$1,015,000 for the year 1940.—V. 154, p. 1302.

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## Long Island RR.—Earnings

December—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Gross from railway	\$1,213,319	\$2,025,401	\$1,874,503	\$1,895,814
Net from railway	429,253	444,034	404,816	341,215
Net ry. oper. income	*7,965	3,921	*71,739	*155,701
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	26,839,398	25,229,208	25,558,213	23,307,691
Net from railway	7,054,626	6,451,394	6,387,722	5,465,033
Net ry. oper. income	767,881	757,887	258,095	*217,665
*Deficit.—V. 155, p.				

Note—The statements for 1941 include the figures of consolidated subsidiaries.—V. 153, p. 994.

#### Matachewan Consolidated Mines, Ltd.—Earnings

3 Mos. Ended Dec. 31—	1941	1940	1939
Tons of ore milled	50,402	50,003	39,731
Net income from metals produced	\$223,904	\$231,266	\$218,919
Development and operating costs	186,984	187,021	148,670
Estimated operating profit	\$39,920	\$44,245	\$70,249
Non-operating revenue	2,586	3,932	2,364
Estimated total profit	\$42,503	\$48,176	\$72,613
Provision for taxes	7,300	9,000	4,900
Profit before write-offs	\$35,206	\$39,176	\$67,713
—V. 154, p. 908.			

#### Metropolitan Steel Products Corp., Brooklyn, N. Y.—Foreclosure Sale

The plant and equipment of the corporation, located at 95 Dobbins St., Brooklyn, New York and capable of complete sheet metal production up to one-quarter inch thickness and ten foot lengths, will be sold by Baron Shutter, auctioneer, as a single unit on Feb. 3, 1942 at 11 a.m. at the Brooklyn Real Estate Exchange, 189 Montague St., Brooklyn, New York.

#### Midwest Piping & Supply Co., Inc.—Extra Dividend

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 20 cents per share on the common stock, payable Feb. 14 to holders of record Feb. 6. On Jan. 15 of the current year a distribution of 60 cents per share was made on this issue.

During 1941 dividends were paid as follows on the common stock: Jan. 15, 25 cents; Feb. 24, 25 cents extra; April 15, 15 cents; July 15, 25 cents; Oct. 15, 35 cents, and Dec. 15, an extra of 50 cents.—V. 155, p. 54.

#### Missouri-Kansas-Texas RR.—Earnings

December—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Gross from railway	\$3,284,015	\$2,406,314	\$2,177,915	\$2,267,421
Net from railway	1,041,625	692,137	464,241	451,438
Net ry. oper. income	621,582	330,227	113,766	119,896
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	34,921,770	27,892,594	28,170,695	27,857,730
Net from railway	9,134,446	6,488,984	5,849,865	5,453,749
Net ry. oper. income	3,969,685	1,937,991	1,264,208	865,737
—V. 155, p. 158.				

#### Missouri Pacific RR.—Alleghany Chairman Outlines New Reorganization Plan

In a letter to 50,000 Missouri Pacific system bondholders, Robert R. Young, chairman of Alleghany Corp., on Jan. 28 outlined a new reorganization plan for the road, alternative to the pending "Stedman Plan"; revealed that System bondholders in five major issues were voting four-to-one against the "Stedman Plan" in the company's postcard survey; and warned life insurance companies who support the "Stedman Plan" or reorganization against setting "a precedent which will eventually impair every railroad bond the insurance companies own."

Alleghany Corp. is the owner of \$11,152,000 of Missouri Pacific conv. bonds, and holds a controlling interest in the stock of the debtor company.

A \$7,000,000 increase in earnings available for interest—based on 1941 earnings—is claimed for the alternative reorganization plan for the Missouri Pacific outlined in Alleghany's letter. This increase results from a higher proportion of income bonds and the elimination of the \$115,000 face amount of preferred stock proposed in the pending "Stedman Plan." Earnings available for interest and dividends under the new plan in 1941 would have amounted to \$48.47 as against \$36.05 under the "Stedman Plan." Alleghany's letter stated,

Referring to the Missouri Pacific's postcard survey of bondholders' sentiment on the pending "Stedman Plan", Alleghany's letter listed the following ratios of rejections to acceptances in five issues:

Name of Issue	Indicated Acceptances	Indicated Rejections	Total Returns	Rejections
MOP General 4s 1975	\$433,500	\$15,339,350	97.2%	
MOP Convertible 5 1/2 1949	759,000	23,832,000	96.8%	
MOP 5 1/2 1955-56	285,500	5,057,000	94.6%	
IGN Adj. 1951	839,000	5,048,000	85.7%	
MOP 1st & refunding 5%	9,922,000	44,230,000	81.5%	

Rejection of the plan by a given issue requires disapproval by more than one-third of those voting. The Interstate Commerce Commission ballot closes Feb. 17.

#### Railroad Prospects Held Improved

Pointing out that in 1941 the Missouri Pacific earned, before Federal taxes, \$7,000,000 more than the "average" of \$22,000,000 accepted by the Commission in 1937, Mr. Young declared that it might now be proper to allow for the possibility of "a great and unforeseen improvement in the future outlook for railroad transportation." Declaring that over the last two decades the automotive industry—chief competitor of the railroads—has been the object of "direct government subsidy . . . and of an indirect subsidy through the uncontrolled and wasteful depletion of the nation's irreplacable reserves of oil in unnecessarily high-powered motors," he said that under a military economy, the automotive industry "is destined to play a much smaller part in the nation's economy because of other uses for steel, oil and rubber. This can only mean an improvement in the competitive position of the railroads, which we now realize are one of the industries most vital to our national defense. For the first time, the railroad industry is able to meet its chief competitor on an equal footing."

In a letter to the president and directors of all life insurance companies which "Mr. Stedman has involved" in his reorganization plan, Mr. Young—citing their support of an "obsolete" plan—warned them that "protection of investment values is obviously more to the interest of investors than is the insurance company control of railroad management through ownership of stocks which Mr. Stedman prefers."

#### New Plan

Under the alternative plan suggested by Alleghany, holders of Missouri Pacific first and refunding bonds would receive for each \$1,000 bond \$1,000 face value in a bond entitled to 1 1/4% fixed interest and 2 1/2% contingent interest; \$161 face value in a 4% contingent interest bond; 16 shares of common stock; and a cash payment of \$7.00. This compares with the "Stedman Plan's" \$300 face value in a 4% fixed interest bond; \$350 face value in a 4 1/2% contingent interest bond; four shares of 5% preferred stock; 2.98 shares of common; and a cash payment of \$7.00. Fixed interest requirements and the number of shares of common stock would be substantially the same under both plans; contingent interest requirements under the suggested alternative plan would amount to \$12,800,000 as against \$5,300,000 under the "Stedman Plan"; but the alternative plan would contain no preferred stock.

#### No Tax Evasion

In support of the tax saving of \$7,000,000 claimed for the alternative plan, Alleghany's letter cites the opinion of Judge Carroll C. Hincks in his recent New York, New Haven & Hartford decision, in which he said "In these days when tax problems loom large, I think the Judge, before approving a plan, should have affirmative assurance that its feasibility is not jeopardized by liability for taxes which may accrue upon its consummation." The letter added "Missouri Pacific is willing to meet its full share of the tax burden, but we do not believe that any government agency or judicial body would ask the Missouri Pacific to impose unnecessarily upon itself taxes which unorganized and other more fortunate railroads escape, thus lessening your road's ability to compete, to serve the public, and to meet defense requirements."

#### Life Companies' Responsibility

"The life insurance companies have a responsibility in this situation which reaches beyond their policy holders and affects the public as a whole," Mr. Young declared. "Their voluntary acceptance of a plan which can result in what amounts to a confiscation of private property can have far-reaching and damaging effects."

"The 'Stedman Plan' was adopted by the committee in 1937, when the normal tax stood at 15%, and there was no excess profits tax. In 1941 the plan emerged from the courts for presentation to the bondholders when the normal tax and surtax had climbed to 31%

and the new excess profits tax, which did not become effective until 1940, had reached a maximum of 60%."

"Because it was formulated in 1937, the 'Stedman Plan' obviously could not take into account any of these great and fundamental changes, with the result that today it stands as a pessimist's plan with respect to earnings and a prodigal's plan with respect to taxes," he said.

#### Comparative Data

Chief Characteristics	New	Alternative	"Stedman
Fixed interest	Plan	Plan	Plan
Contingent interest	\$7,585,775	\$7,286,804	5,330,340
Preferred and prior preferred dividends	none	none	5,775,050
Common stock—number of shares	1,469,408	1,367,564	1,236,427
1941 taxes	2,376,427	9,235,376	9,235,376

#### What a First and Refunding Bond Would Have Earned in 1941

Fixed interest	\$12.50	\$12.00
Contingent interest	33.95	15.75
Prior preferred	none issued	7.50
Available for second preferred	none issued	.80
Available for common	2.02	none

#### Total

Total	\$48.47	\$36.05
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#### Allocation of 1941 Earnings Compared in Both Plans

Earnings before Federal taxes	\$29,000,000	\$29,000,000
Estimated 1941 taxes	2,376,427	9,265,976
Sinking and capital funds	4,311,664	4,314,969

#### Available for interest and dividends

Fixed interest	\$22,311,909	\$14,819,055
Contingent interest	7,583,775	7,286,804

#### Prior preferred stock dividend requirement

\$1,841,452	\$2,201,911
Prior preferred stock dividend requirement	1,959,475

#### Second preferred stock dividend requirement

\$242,436	3,815,575
Available for common	\$1,841,452

#### \*Surplus. Deficit.

#### Interest on Pacific RR. of Missouri Bonds

Interest of 1 1/4% will be paid on Feb. 2, 1942, on Pacific Railroad of Missouri first mortgage extended gold 4% bonds, due 1938, on surrender of interest warrant No. 7. Interest is payable at office of J. P. Morgan & Co., Inc., New York, N. Y.

#### Loadings Jan. 24th Week—

No. of Cars	Loaded locally	Connections	Received from	Total
Missouri Pacific	17,882	15,230	13,684	10,371
Gulf Coast Lines	4,670	3,222	2,587	1,547
Intern.-Great Northern	2,303	1,908	2,764	2,311
From Jan. 1—				5,067
				4,219
V. 155, p. 363.				

#### Moline-Rock Island Mfg. Co.—To Be Merged

See under United Light & Power Co.

#### Monongahela Ry.—Earnings

December—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Gross from railway	\$535,358	\$352,936	\$400,575	\$369,170
Net from railway	319,360	201,783	251,256	232,632
Net ry. oper. income	165,666	75,493	138,817	128,586
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	5,921,429	4,943,625	4,155,889	3,440,045
Net from railway	3,679,575	2,962,011	2,490,851	2,091,489
Net ry. oper. income	1,989,771	1,430,896	1,254,330	935,507
V. 155, p. 54.				

#### Monsanto Chemical Co.—Turns Plant Over to Army

The Chemical Warfare Service's

standing shares of Multipost Co., which has been engaged in the manufacture of mailing equipment in Rochester, N. Y., since 1910. This acquisition is a part of National's plan to provide complete mailing room service.

On Dec. 3, 1941, First York Corp. exercised its option, expiring Dec. 31, 1941, to purchase for \$2,485 the 800 shares of class A stock of National which were held in escrow by Security-First National Bank of Los Angeles.—V. 155, p. 264.

**National Power & Light Co.**—Common Stockholders Approve Exchange of Stock — To Offer 2 Shares of Houston Subsidiary for Each Parent Preferred—Offer Expires March 31—

The program for dissolution of the company probably will not be completed before 1942, Paul B. Sawyer, President, indicated Jan. 28.

Mr. Sawyer expressed this belief at a special meeting of common stockholders held at Jersey City, N. J., which authorized the company to offer to exchange two shares of Houston Lighting & Power Co. common stock for one share of National Power & Light \$6 preferred stock.

National sent letters to its preferred stockholders formally offering them Houston Lighting stock in exchange for 90% of their holdings of the senior equity issue.

This action was the second step in a program approved by the SEC for liquidation of National. The program provides for:

(1) Retirement of the remaining balance of \$2,370,500 of parent company debentures and assumed obligations with cash available.

(2) Exchange of Houston Lighting common for up to 90% of National's preferred shares.

(3) Refinancing of the \$7 and \$6 preferred stock and sale of all the common stock, 100% owned by National, of Carolina Power & Light Co.

(4) Refunding the bonds and sale of the common stock, all owned by National, of Birmingham Electric Co.

(5) Reorganizing Lehigh Valley Transit Co. and sale by National of its holdings of that concern's common stock.

(6) Disposition by National Power of its miscellaneous investments such as all the common stock of Memphis Generating Co. and all the stock and a note of West Tennessee Gas Co.

(7) Liquidation of the remaining shares of its \$6 preferred stock not acquired by National through exchange of Houston Lighting shares by redemption of such unredeemed shares at \$100 each.

(8) Reorganization of Pennsylvania Power & Light Co. and investment by National of proceeds received from sales of other assets in additional common stock of that concern, and distribution of its holdings of Pennsylvania common to common holders of National Power.

National soon will proceed to retire its remaining outstanding indebtedness in conformity with this program, Mr. Sawyer predicted, but he cautioned stockholders that this had not been authorized by directors yet. The other steps in this program, he said, would be made as circumstances permit. In this connection he pointed out that the Public Utility Act gives the SEC authority to order dissolution of a holding company within a year and the right to grant an additional year for this purpose.—V. 155, p. 364.

**National Sugar Refining Co.**—New Director—

Horace Havemeyer, Jr., has been elected a director.—V. 155, p. 402.

**New England Gas & Electric Association**—Output—

For the week ended Jan. 23, this association reports electric output of 12,097,391 kwh. This is an increase of 1,530,602 kwh, or 14.49% above production of 10,566,789 kwh. for the corresponding week a year ago. Gas output is reported at 135,578,000 cubic feet, an increase of 13,828,000 cubic feet, or 11.36% above production of 121,750,000 cubic feet in the corresponding week a year ago.—V. 155, p. 364.

**New Jersey Zinc Co.**—50-Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 10 to holders of record Feb. 20. During 1941 the company paid the following dividends: March 10, 50 cents; June 10 and Sept. 10, \$1 each, and \$1.50 on Dec. 10. Compare V. 154, p. 1005.

**Newport News Shipbuilding & Dry Dock Co.**—To Pay Dividend of 50 Cents on Common Shares—

The directors on Jan. 28 declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 2 to holders of record Feb. 14. During 1941 the following distributions were made on this issue: March 3, 40 cents; June 2 and Sept. 2, 50 cents each; Dec. 1, 60 cents, and Dec. 29, a special year-end dividend of 50 cents.

The directors also declared the regular quarterly dividend of \$1.25 per share on the \$5 cumulative convertible preferred stock, payable May 1 to holders of record April 15. A similar distribution, previously declared, is payable on the preferred stock on Feb. 2 to holders of record Jan. 15.

**Creates New Subsidiary to Build Shipyard**—

This company has been requested by the Navy Department to construct and operate a new shipyard on the James River in Richmond, Va. The directors on Jan. 28 voted to accept this undertaking and to create a subsidiary company under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, to be named James River Shipbuilding Corp., to carry out the work.

It is anticipated that the facilities, involving expenditures in excess of \$20,000,000, will be built for the account of the Navy Department and that the contract covering construction of the vessels will be of the cost plus a fixed fee type.

The new company will constitute the second shipbuilding subsidiary of the parent company; less than a year ago, a subsidiary, The North Carolina Shipbuilding Co., was formed. A nine-way yard was built at Wilmington, N. C., from which two Liberty ships have been launched to date. The recent award by the U. S. Maritime Commission to this company of 53 additional vessels brings the number under contract to a total of 90.—V. 154, p. 1632.

**New York Central RR.**—Earnings—

(Including all leased lines)

Period Ended Dec. 31—	1941—Month	1940	1941—12 Mos.	1940
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Railway oper. revenues	41,316,307	34,854,494	447,789,655	370,545,873
Railway oper. expenses	34,948,535	25,986,976	331,286,998	278,674,980
Net rev. fr. ry. oper.	6,367,772	8,867,518	116,502,657	91,870,895
*Railway tax accruals	1,077,769	654,151	43,408,148	33,476,019
Equip. & joint fac. rents	1,397,936	1,127,648	15,520,955	14,342,439
Net ry. oper. income	3,892,067	7,085,719	57,573,554	44,052,437
Other income	2,238,347	2,075,140	19,083,788	18,183,116
Total income	6,130,414	9,180,859	76,657,342	62,225,553
Misc. deduct. from inc.	189,696	402,634	1,476,214	1,987,615
Total fixed charges	3,900,536	4,757,990	48,805,772	48,982,854
Net inc. after fixed charges	2,040,182	4,000,235	26,375,356	11,265,084
Incl. Fed. income and excess profits taxes	1,504,861	Cr 111,685	7,588,071	1,063,208

**Carloadings Week Ended Jan. 24**—

Below is statement of revenue cars loaded at stations and received from connections for the New York Central including leased lines and the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie RR., week ended Jan. 24, 1942.

N. Y. Central, incl. leased lines	Week Ended Jan. 24	Week Ended Jan. 17, '42
Loaded	47,970	42,596
Received	53,126	45,573
Total	101,096	88,169
Pitts. & Lake Erie		
Loaded	8,332	7,179
Received	7,397	6,729
Total	15,729	13,908

**Newport Water Corp.**—Hearing Postponed—

The SEC has announced the postponement, from Feb. 3 to Feb. 17, of the hearing on the declaration and application (File 70-415).

regarding the proposed dissolution of Newport Water Corp. and the distribution of its remaining assets, consisting principally of cash, to the holders of its 10,000 shares of preferred stock.

Newport Water Corp. is a subsidiary of Ogdens Corp.—V. 155, p. 364.

**New York, New Haven & Hartford RR.**—New Plan is Sought by ICC—

The Interstate Commerce Commission ordered new hearings Jan. 28 in the reorganization of the road with a view to reporting promptly a new plan of reorganization for the company. The Commission's reorganization plan was disapproved by the U. S. District Court of Connecticut in mid-December.

The new hearings will be held in the Hotel St. George, Brooklyn, starting Feb. 17. Commissioner Charles D. Mahaffie and Examiner Harvey H. Wilkinson will preside.

#### Sells Land—

Howard S. Palmer, James Lee Loomis and Henry B. Sawyer, as trustees, have sold to the Texas Co. a piece of land between Allen's Ave. and Eddy St., Providence, R. I., containing 328,091 square feet. Revenue stamps attached to the deed indicate the purchase price was approximately \$70,000.—V. 155, p. 307.

**New York & Queens Electric Light & Power Co.**—Dividend Rate Reduced on Common Stock—

The directors have declared a dividend of \$1.75 per share on the common stock, no par value, payable March 14 to holders of record Feb. 20. This compares with \$2 per share paid each quarter from March, 1937, to and including Dec. 13, 1941.—V. 154, p. 868.

**New York Susquehanna & Western RR.**—Earnings—

December—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Gross from railway	\$314,812	\$291,166	\$265,699	\$271,376
Net from railway	96,265	104,593	90,797	84,962
Net ry. oper. income	24,120	42,180	39,470	14,368
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	3,692,675	3,198,702	3,005,614	2,957,895
Net from railway	1,464,790	1,138,208	1,007,097	927,519
Net ry. oper. income	657,851	439,086	264,337	48,827
*Deficit.—V. 155, p. 193.				

**New York Telephone Co.**—Director Resigns—

Lieutenant-Colonel Robert T. Stevens on Jan. 28 resigned as a director of this company.—V. 155, p. 193.

**Niagara Falls Power Co.**—Bonds Called—

Holders of the first and refunding mortgage bonds, 3 1/2% series of 1936, are being notified that \$1,200,000 principal amount of these bonds have been drawn by lot for redemption at 106 1/2% on March 1, 1942. The bonds will be redeemed at the principal office of the trustee, The Marine Trust Co. of Buffalo, 237 Main St., Buffalo, or at the option of the holder, at the office of J. P. Morgan & Co. Incorporated, 23 Wall St., N. Y. City.

Holders of these bonds may, at their option, receive immediate payment of the principal, premium and accrued interest to March 1, 1942, upon surrender of their bonds at either of the paying offices.—V. 155, p. 90.

**Niagara Fire Insurance Co.**—Annual Statement—

Balance Sheet, Dec. 31, 1941

Assets	\$21,815,106
Bonds and stocks	895,474
Premiums in course of collection (not 90 days overdue)	55,568
Interest accrued	1,499,916
Cash on deposit and in office	
Total	\$24,266,064
Liabilities	
Unearned premiums	\$6,338,190
Losses in process of adjustment	720,732
Reserve for taxes and expenses	242,200
Reserve for all other claims	300,000
*Contingency reserve	646,589
Capital	2,000,000
Net surplus	14,018,352
Total	\$24,266,064

\*Valuations on basis approved by National Association of Insurance Commissioners. \*Securities carried at \$533,938 in the above statement are deposited for purposes required by law.

\*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.—V. 153, p. 1136.

**Niagara Lower Arch Bridge Co., Ltd.**—Smaller Div.—

The directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock, no par value, payable March 10 to holders of record Feb. 28.

During 1941 the company paid dividends as follows: March 10, 75 cents; June 10 and Sept. 10, 50 cents each; Dec. 10, 75 cents regular and 50 cents extra.—V. 151, p. 3751.

**Nonquitt Mills**—To Pay \$1 Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of \$1 per share on the common stock, payable March 3 to holders of record Jan. 27. Distributions were made as follows during 1941: March 4, 75 cents; May 14, \$1; Aug. 14, \$1.25, and Nov. 14, \$1.25. Previously the company paid regular quarterly dividends of 50 cents per share.—V. 154, p. 961.

**Norfolk Southern Ry.**—Officers & Directors—

M. S. Hawkins has been elected President and L. H. Windholz, Chairman of the board.

J. F. Dalton has been elected Vice-President; J. R. Pritchard, Secretary, and J. P. George, Treasurer. S. Burnell-Bragg succeeds Col. W. B. Rodman as General Counsel, the latter having been retired at his own request.

The board of directors includes H. D. Bateman, Wilson, N. C.; C. P. Boyce, Baltimore; I. Howard Lehman, N. Y. City; Andrew L. Monroe, Raleigh, N. C.; Richard Morris and Howard Palmer, N. Y. City, and Carol M. Shanks, Newark, N. J.

**Bond Trustee**

Manufacturers Trust Co. has been designated trustee for \$6,000,000 4 1/2% first mortgage series A bonds due 1998

**Registrar**

The Chase National Bank of the City of New York has been appointed registrar for the common stock.—V. 155, p. 402.

**Norfolk Southern RR.**—Delivery Ruling on New Securities—

The Uniform Practice Committee of NASD, District No. 13, announces:

All "when, as and if issued" transactions in Norfolk Southern RR. first mortgage 4 1/2% bonds, series A, due 1998, and general mortgage 5% income bonds, due 2015, shall be settled on Monday, Feb. 2, 1942, or may be settled prior thereto on one day's written notice. On and after Thursday, Jan. 29, 1942, all transactions in these bonds shall be regular way unless otherwise specified.—V. 155, p. 364.

**Norfolk & Western Ry.**—Carloadings—

Week Ended—

Jan. 24, '42	Jan. 25, '
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according to an Associated Press dispatch from Washington, D. C. The company previously had contracted to build 37 emergency freighters. Most of the additional 53 are to be delivered by the end of 1943.

#### Northern Insurance Co. of N. Y.—Extra Dividend—

The directors on Jan. 26 declared an extra dividend of \$1 per share and the usual semi-annual dividend of \$1.50 per share on the common stock, par \$12.50, both payable Feb. 16 to holders of record Feb. 6. Like amounts were also paid on Feb. 15 and Aug. 18, last year.—V. 151, p. 423.

#### Northern States Power Co. (Del.) (& Subs.)—Earnings

Years End Nov. 30—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Operating revenues	\$42,348,574	\$39,650,124		
Operation	14,578,271	14,125,739		
Maintenance	1,558,336	1,564,914		
Depreciation	4,169,507	3,979,780		
Taxes (other than income taxes)	5,197,764	4,873,260		
Provision for Federal income and excess profits taxes and State income taxes	5,333,940	3,094,826		
Net operating income	\$11,510,756	\$12,011,605		
Total other income	151,646	90,339		
Gross income	\$11,662,401	\$12,101,944		
Interest on funded debt	3,487,450	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	63,311		
Amortization of sundry fixed assets	41,843	41,843		
Amortization of expenses on sales of capital stock of subsidiary company	30,000	27,500		
Interest charged to construction	Crt118,387	Crt88,693		
Miscellaneous	120,797	109,627		
Balance	\$7,406,006	\$7,669,928		
Dlvs. on capital stock of subs. held by public				
Cum. pref. stock, \$5 series, of Northern States Power Co. (Minn.)	1,375,000	1,375,000		
Cum. pref. stock, 5% of Northern States Power Co. (Wisc.)	27,135	27,135		
Common stock of Chippewa & Flambeau Improvement Co.	29,070	29,070		
Net income	\$5,974,801	\$6,238,723		
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.				

#### Weekly Output

Electric output of the Northern States Power Co. system for the week ended Jan. 24, 1942, totaled 35,494,000 kwh., as compared with 33,447,000 kwh. for the corresponding week last year, an increase of 6.1%—V. 151, p. 365.

#### Northwestern Pacific RR.—Earnings

December—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Gross from railway	\$268,211	\$248,121	\$211,233	\$217,838
Net from railway	*60,201	*10,675	*44,713	*62,548
Net rv. oper. income	*93,183	*45,186	*74,815	*88,940
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	3,526,670	3,275,791	3,266,653	3,020,999
Net from railway	226,131	23,201	*15,025	*547,983
Net rv. oper. income	*200,340	*361,703	*354,801	*921,446
*Deficit.—V. 151, p. 55.				

#### Ohio Bell Telephone Co.—Wage Increases—

Wage increases totaling \$1,600,000 annually were granted to approximately 9,000 employees of this company as the result of negotiations between the company and the Ohio Federation of Telephone Workers, Inc., an independent union.—V. 151, p. 402.

#### Oklahoma City-Ada-Atoka Ry.—Earnings

December—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Gross from railway	\$59,790	\$21,198	\$33,571	\$26,148
Net from railway	21,225	2,796	9,919	*1,683
Net rv. oper. income	7,584	*2,673	510	4,801
From Jan. 1—				
Gross from railway	355,014	294,444	404,056	433,500
Net from railway	112,366	60,252	139,149	116,144
Net rv. oper. income	23,163	*17,523	57,447	18,686
*Deficit.—V. 151, p. 193.				

#### Okonite Co.—Extra Distribution of 50-Cents—

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 50 cents per share and the regular quarterly dividend of \$1.50 per share on the common stock, both payable Feb. 2 to holders of record Jan. 19. Like amounts were paid in each of the two preceding quarters.—V. 151, p. 699.

#### Ontario Manufacturing Co.—25-Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, payable Feb. 20 to holders of record Feb. 10. This compares with 15 cents per share paid on Nov. 10, last, the first payment since Dec. 1, 1939, when 50 cents was disbursed.—V. 151, p. 402.

#### Otis Elevator Co.—20-Cent Common Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 20 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 20 to holders of record Feb. 24. This compares with 40 cents per share on Dec. 20, last, and 20 cents in each of the three preceding quarters.—V. 151, p. 799.

#### Ottumwa Gas Co.—To Be Merged—

See under United Light & Power Co.

#### Outboard, Marine & Manufacturing Co.—Earnings—

(Including Subsidiary)

3 Months Ended Dec. 31—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Net sales	\$1,687,065	\$1,073,367		
*Cost of products sold	1,610,159	1,227,696		
Provision for depreciation	46,761	31,586		
Net profit from operations	\$30,145	\$185,915		
Discount on purchases, interest received, etc.	24,385	18,491		
*Gain from foreign exchange	601	1,334		
Net profit before other charges and inc. taxes	\$55,131	\$166,090		
Interest paid, service on discount, products, etc.	11,578	1,845		
Provision for Fed., Wis. and Can. income and excess profits taxes	20,100	8,000		
Net profit	\$23,453	\$175,935		
*Including shipping, general and administrative expenses, including gain of \$581 in 1941 and \$1,334 in 1940 from conversion of accounts of Canadian subsidiary. *Loss.				
Notes—The net loss for the 3 months ended Dec. 31, 1940, has been restored to give effect to the application of \$180,953 as a charge to the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1940.				

The operating results of the Canadian subsidiary company, showing a net profit of \$25,205 for the 3 months ended Dec. 31, 1941, after providing \$20,100 for income and excess profits taxes and a net profit of \$16,022 for the 3 months ended Dec. 31, 1940, after providing \$8,000 for income and excess profits taxes, are included in the above statement converted to U. S. dollars at the official rate of exchange of the Canadian dollar.—V. 151, p. 402.

#### Pacific Portland Cement Co.—Accumulated Dividend

The directors have declared a dividend of \$1 per share on account of accumulations on the 6 1/2% cumulative preferred stock, payable Jan. 29 to holders of record Jan. 28. Distributions of like amount were made on Jan. 29, April 29, July 29, Oct. 29 and Dec. 26, 1941, and on Jan. 25, April 29, July 29 and Oct. 29, 1940.—V. 151, p. 1530.

#### Pacific Lighting Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Calendar Years—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Gross oper. revenue	\$48,681,963	\$45,229,757	\$45,866,347	\$45,500,803
Operating expenses	24,149,928	22,423,585	21,888,746	21,323,916
Taxes	9,305,039	7,702,252	7,297,433	7,165,909
Prov. for retirement	6,322,055	5,962,719	5,785,281	5,754,798
Net oper. revenue	\$8,904,941	\$9,141,200	\$10,514,886	\$11,256,180
Other income (net)	273,928	268,561	263,856	304,600
Total	\$9,178,868	\$9,409,761	\$10,778,742	\$11,560,780
Int. on funded debt	1,595,090	1,828,750	1,762,250	1,995,000
Amort. of bond disc't. & expense		191,633	599,885	298,869
Other interest	22,529	24,082	191,000	34,038
Interest charged to construction	Cr166,610	Cr14,763	Cr12,598	Cr17,423
Net inc. before divs.	\$7,727,859	\$7,380,059	\$8,238,205	\$9,250,295
Pref. stock divs. of sub.	1,346,027	1,346,858	1,351,373	1,353,818
Com. stock, min. int.	117	119	154	154
Appl. to Pacific Ltg. Corp.	\$6,381,716	\$6,033,082	\$6,886,678	\$7,896,323
Divs. on pref. stock	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,101,729	1,179,990
Divs. on com. stock	4,825,893	4,825,893	4,825,893	4,825,893
Remainder to surplus	\$555,823	\$207,189	\$959,057	\$1,890,440
Amount per sh. applic. to common stock	\$3.35	\$3.13	\$3.60	\$4.10
V. 154, p. 754.				

#### Pan American Refining Corp.—Plans New Plant—

This corporation, which has a large refinery at Texas City, Texas, has signed a contract with the Government for the construction of a large plant for extracting toluene.

President Robert E. Wilson said: "Our engineering and research staffs are working on a proposition whereby we will make large quantities of 100-octane gasoline, and we expect shortly to make a definite proposition to the Government for the construction of such a plant."—V. 137, p. 2117.

#### Parr Shoals Power Co.—Bonds Called—

A total of \$47,000 of first mortgage 5% sinking fund gold bonds, due April 1, 1952, have been called for redemption as of April 1, 1942, and 105 and int. Payment will be made at the Irving Trust Co., One Wall St., N. Y. City.—V. 151, p. 689.

**Pawling Refining Corp.—Stock Offered**—Leigh Chandler & Co., N.Y., on Jan. 27 offered 49,000 shares of the (\$1 par) Common Stock at \$2 per share. Of the shares offered, 9,000 are for the account of the principal underwriter, and have been contributed by two stockholders as additional compensation to the underwriter. The issue is offered as a speculation.

**History**—Incorporated in New York March 24, 1938, under the title of Standard Marketing Co., Inc. Charter amended April 25, 1938, and name changed to Major Marketing Co., Inc., and later to its present title, Pawling Refining Corp.

**Royalty Contract**—On Oct. 1, 1940, the corporation entered into a contract with Adam J. Paluszek. Corporation acquired under this contract the formulae for degumming, dehydrating and for making castor oil miscible with petroleum. The formulae and methods of processing and manufacture in complete detail were filed with the corporation at the time the corporation exercised its option (May 20, 1941); and the formulae and manufacturing methods and distillation processes were assigned to the corporation, at which time the contents of the formulae and processes were disclosed to the president of the corporation and the written certified formulae and complete description of processes were then placed in trust with him for the corporation until royalty payments shall have been completed, the corporation enjoying meanwhile under the contract the exclusive right to use the formulae and processes. Because of the character of the formulae and processes, the corporation decided to keep them secret until such time as it is deemed advisable to apply for patents.

Under the contract the corporation paid for these formulae, processes and manufacturing methods 10,000 shares of the corporation's common stock with the proviso that an additional 10,000 shares of common stock would accrue to Paluszek if the sales of the certain products containing castor oil concentrate should exceed \$50,000 in any one year during the three year period from the date of contract.

The name and trademark "Trizol" was also transferred and assigned to the corporation.

The contract further provided that Paluszek, or his assigns, be paid a royalty of 3% of net sales realized by the corporation from the sale of products deriving from castor oil concentrate until such time as a total of \$22,500 shall be paid, after which no further payments are to be made. The corporation is required to pay a minimum of \$50 monthly until a total of \$8,950 has been paid to apply upon the aforesaid \$22,500, the balance remaining shall be liquidated by the application of royalties in excess of the \$50 per month minimum.

**Participation In War Activities**—During the late summer and fall of 1941, especially during the last three months of the year when the corporation enjoyed a priority on preference rating certificate No. AM-2225915, carrying preference rating Al-H, extensive plant changes were made and adequate equipment added to place the corporation in position to produce various industrial products and materials needed by the Army, Navy and other Government agencies in the prosecution of its defense and war program.

The corporation is now working on one contract for a special gun grease for the Army, deliveries on which extend from January, 1942, to January, 1943. Other contracts are now in force with large tool and metal working companies operating under war contracts. These materials embrace the corporation's high carbon steel cutting oils, drawing oils and other industrial supplies. Negotiations are also under way with various arsenals and other Government operated plants.

Most of these materials derive their superior quality and efficiency from the castor oil concentrate produced exclusively by the corporation under its process.

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**Poor & Co.—Accumulated Dividend—**

The directors have declared a dividend of 37½ cents per share on account of accumulations on the \$1.50 cumulative and participating class A stock, no par value, payable March 1 to holders of record on Feb. 16. During 1941 the following distributions were made on this issue: March 1 and June 1, 37½ cents each; Sept. 1, 87½ cents, and Dec. 1, \$1.37½.—V. 154, p. 1006.

**Procter & Gamble Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—**

Period End. Dec. 31—	1941—3 Mos.—1940	1941—6 Mos.—1940
Net profit	\$6,040,701	\$5,020,025
Shs. com. stock, no par	6,409,418	6,409,418
Earnings per share	\$0.92	\$0.76

\*After depreciation, Federal income tax and Federal excess profits tax.

Note—The above statement is the consolidated net earnings of Procter & Gamble Co. and its wholly owned subsidiary companies, excluding the earnings (except as they have been made available in this country in United States funds) of Procter & Gamble Defense Corp. and all foreign subsidiary companies except the Cuban Co.

The company's investment in the Philippine Islands, including undistributed surplus as of June 30, 1941, is \$3,000,000, and if present conditions in the Pacific continue, a reserve of this amount as a maximum will have to be provided at the close of the present fiscal year.—V. 154, p. 1383.

**Provident Mutual Life Insurance Co. of Philadelphia—New Paid Business Up 7%—**

New paid business of this company amounted to \$74,995,000 in 1941, an increase of 7% over the 1940 business, according to President M. A. Linton, in his report to the annual meeting of the policy owners held on Jan. 27. The average size of the 17,151 new policies paid during 1941 was \$4,360. The amount of insurance in force increased by \$23,575,000 to a total of \$1,020,700,000. This increase was largely due to a marked decline in terminations by lapse and surrender which fell to the unusually low level of 2.8% of outstanding insurance in force, as compared with 10% at the depth of the depression.

Assets of the company at the end of the year reached \$400,193,000, an increase of \$18,710,000. During the year payments to policy owners and beneficiaries totaled \$26,527,000. This latter total plus the amount added to assets held for the benefit of policy owners aggregated \$45,237,000 or \$11,636,000 more than the company's 1941 premium income of \$33,601,000.

Contingency reserves amount to \$22,024,000, an increase of \$1,064,000 during the year.—V. 154, p. 55.

**Prudential Investors, Inc.—Suspended From Dealings—**

The common stock (no par) has been suspended from dealings on the New York Curb Exchange. The stock was originally scheduled to sell "ex" the third liquidating distribution of 35 cents per share on Jan. 23, 1942, but was suspended from dealings on that date in view of the extent to which the liquidation has progressed.—V. 154, p. 267.

**Pullman Co.—Earnings—**

(Revenue and Expenses of Car and Auxiliary Operation)

Period End. Nov. 30—	1941—Month—1940	1941—11 Mos.—1940
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**Sleeping Car Operations—**

Total revenues	\$4,984,725	\$4,228,011
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Total expenses	4,904,172	4,218,495
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Net revenue	\$80,553	\$9,516
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**Auxiliary Operations:**

Total revenues	\$215,414	\$171,399
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Total expenses	148,336	135,044
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Net revenue	\$67,078	\$36,356
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Total net revenue	\$147,630	\$45,872
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Taxes accrued	403,932	202,450
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Operating income	*\$256,301	*\$156,589
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*Loss.—V. 154, p. 1600.	\$1,569,942	\$1,943,957
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**Radio Corp. of America—Transfer of Licenses—**

Licenses for three key stations have been transferred by this corporation to its new subsidiary, Blue Network Co., Inc., with the approval of the Federal Communications Commission. The three key stations of the Blue Network involved are WJZ, New York; WENR, Chicago; and KGO in San Francisco.

Late in 1941 licenses to these stations were assigned to RCA pending the divorce of the Blue Network from the National Broadcasting Co., also a Radio Corp. subsidiary.—V. 154, p. 308.

**Radio-Keith-Orpheum Corp.—No Dividend Action—**

At a meeting of the board of directors held Jan. 26, 1942, consideration was given to the matter of the declaration of a dividend payable Feb. 1, 1942, upon the 6% preferred stock, and the board determined to take no action with respect thereto.—V. 154, p. 308.

**Railway & Utilities Investing Corp.—Report—**

Earnings for the six months ended Dec. 31, 1941

Income: Cash dividends	\$3,180
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Interest	18,313
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Total	\$21,493
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Expenses	4,106
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Net income	\$17,387
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Write-off investment in Wabash Ry. common stock	17,850
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Net profit on sales of secur., computed on avge. cost basis	6,718
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Net profit for the period	\$6,255
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Note—The unrealized net depreciation of securities owned at Dec. 31, 1941, based on the market quotations, was \$56,477 more than that shown at June 30, 1941.

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

Assets—Securities at average cost, \$2,143,241; cash in bank, \$55,566; dividends receivable, \$60; total, \$2,198,867.

Liabilities—Provision for taxes, \$1,057; accrued expenses, estimated, \$4,974; 6,142 shares convertible preferred stock, \$3 Series (less 50 shares held for retirement), \$152,325; 21,657 shares convertible preferred stock, \$3.50 Series (less 30 shares held for retirement), \$540,675; 145,939 shares Class A common stock, (par \$1), \$145,939; 10,000 shares Class B common stock (par \$1), \$10,000; capital surplus (after deducting operating deficit of \$17,427 for year ended June 30, 1941, and adding \$1,469 representing excess of par value over cost of preferred shares held for retirement at Dec. 31, 1941), \$1,337,642; net profit for the six months ended Dec. 31, 1941, \$6,254; total, \$2,198,867.

Securities owned by the Corporation at close of business Dec. 31, 1941:

Market Value	\$63,750
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Par Value	\$400,000 Missouri Pac. RR. 1st & ref. mitge. bonds & cts.
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\$364,000 St. L.-San Fran. Ry. pr. lien 4%—5% bds. & cts.
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315,000 St. Louis-San Fran. Ry. cons. mitge. 4½% cts.
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400,000 Chi. R. I. & Pac. Ry. secured 4½% bonds & cts.
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50,000 Chi. Rock Island & Pac. Ry. general mitge. 4%
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200,000 Chi. Milw. St. Paul & Pac. RR. 50-year bs.
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30,000 St. Louis Southwestern Ry. genl. & ref. 5s
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3,000 Great Northern Ry. preferred
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7,400 International Rys. of Cent. America, common
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5,000 Chi. Rock Island & Pac. Ry. common
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Public Utility
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8,000 Commonwealth & Southern, common
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1,300 Electric Bond & Share, common
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200 Electric Power & Light, \$6 pfds.
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3,000 International Telephone & Telegraph capital
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300 Middle West Corp. common
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6,500 United Corp. common
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June, 1935, have aggregated \$9,388,913, equal to \$20.25 per share.—V. 155, p. 269.

#### Sivyer Steel Casting Co.—50-Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock, no par value, payable Feb. 20 to holders of record Feb. 9. This compares with a year-end dividend of \$1 paid on Dec. 20, last, and payments of 25 cents each made on March 20, June 10, Sept. 12 and Oct. 25, 1941.—V. 152, p. 1931.

#### Socony-Vacuum Oil Co., Inc.—Obituary—

Edwy Rolfe Brown of Dallas, Tex., a Vice-President and director died late Sunday night, after a short illness, at the age of 73 years.—V. 154, p. 339.

#### Southern Pacific Co.—Earnings—

December	1941	1940	1939	1938
Gross from railway	\$21,578,500	\$16,552,272	\$13,828,983	\$12,694,854
Net from railway	4,004,308	5,269,994	3,774,484	3,060,134
Net ry. oper. income	1,552,192	3,444,551	1,965,076	1,515,359
From Jan. 1				
Gross from railway	232,899,215	177,117,783	166,623,094	151,698,277
Net from railway	72,901,113	50,437,954	46,356,198	33,451,069
Net ry. oper. income	44,436,280	26,751,574	23,115,495	10,947,283

#### Carloadings—

Week Ended	Jan. 24, '42	Jan. 17, '42	Jan. 25, '41
Cars loaded	33,281	33,905	27,399
Cars received	15,365	14,452	10,130
Total	48,646	48,357	37,529

V. 155, p. 367.

#### Southern Pacific SS. Lines—Earnings—

December	1941	1940	1939	1938
Gross from railway	\$13,400	\$780,360	\$716,463	\$540,388
Net from railway	*10,792	*184,651	24,551	29,608
Net ry. oper. income	*11,379	*214,197	*2,285	13,829
From Jan. 1				
Gross from railway	4,444,995	9,154,459	7,378,268	6,565,717
Net from railway	197,387	391,328	360,920	201,182
Net ry. oper. income	19,574	77,020	139,497	12,698
Deficit.—V. 155, p. 56.				

#### Southern Ry.—Earnings—

Years End. Dec. 31	1941	1940	1939	1938
Gross oper. revenues	\$139,926,434	105,905,395	99,845,940	89,419,110
Total oper. expenses	88,547,313	72,870,180	68,413,913	63,592,999
Taxes	15,552,068	8,391,483	7,886,854	7,369,019
Equip. & jt. facil. rents	3,037,072	3,186,438	2,914,043	4,113,526
Net operating income	32,789,981	21,457,294	20,631,130	14,343,566
Other income	2,879,630	2,718,171	3,047,543	1,883,510
Total income	35,669,611	24,175,465	23,678,673	16,227,076
Interest and rents	16,299,717	16,823,393	17,190,947	16,724,848
Net income	19,369,894	7,352,072	6,487,726	*497,772
Loss.—V. 155, p. 367.				

#### Spencer Shoe Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Period	Years Ended	6 Months Ended		
Nov. 29, '41	Nov. 30, '40	Nov. 29, '41	Nov. 30, '40	
Gross sales less disc'ts, returns & allowances	\$8,520,925	\$6,437,194	\$4,831,853	\$3,301,512
Cost of goods sold	6,820,824	5,307,314	3,890,727	2,719,476
Gross profit	\$1,700,101	\$1,129,880	\$940,926	\$582,036
Sell., gen'l & adm. exps.	1,215,354	1,099,611	639,505	540,158
Oper. profit (before depreciation)	\$484,748	\$30,269	\$301,424	\$41,878
Other oper. revenue	2,234	1,644	1,067	653
Total operating profit (before depred.)	\$486,981	\$31,914	\$302,490	\$42,531
Prov. for depreciation, obsolescence & amort.	116,868	134,993	56,654	69,642
Operating profit	\$370,113	*\$103,080	\$245,836	*\$27,111
Other income	2,891	22,019	1,543	11,053
Total profit	\$373,005	*\$81,061	\$247,380	*\$16,058
Income deductions	31,265	47,664	19,728	25,550
Provision for Federal taxes on earnings	83,251	—	70,402	—
Net income	\$258,489	*\$128,726	\$157,249	*\$41,609
Loss.				

#### Balance Sheet, Nov. 29, 1941

Assets—Cash on hand and in banks, \$130,821; cash due in connection with accounts receivable of the Marion Shoe Division sold to and guaranteed by H. M. Hubshman & Bro., \$60,262; accounts receivable (less reserve, \$1,308), \$409,886; other accounts receivable, \$11,810; inventories—manufacturing division, \$1,620,996; inventories—retail division, \$1,023,331; other assets, \$74,155; fixed assets (less reserve for depreciation, \$516,546), \$563,867; leaseholds, \$1; trademarks, \$1; prepaid expenses and deferred charges, \$30,445; total, \$3,925,576.

Liabilities—Notes payable—banks, \$1,215,000; accounts payable—trade, \$601,557; provision for accrued taxes, \$110,833; other accrued expenses, \$38,537; due employees and officers, \$44,191; deposits—managers and clerks, \$2,129; deposits—subtenants, \$100; fidelity insurance, \$2,433; common stock (266,799 no par shares), \$1,166,328; capital surplus, \$1,749; earned surplus, \$742,720; total, \$3,925,576.—V. 155, p. 194.

#### Spencer Task Fund, Inc.—Earnings—

9 Months End. Dec. 31	1941	1940	1939	1938
Income, cash dividends	\$119,906	*\$122,531	*\$125,239	\$87,680
Operating expenses	24,534	27,264	25,824	47,957
Prov. for Fed. inc. tax	—	—	2,400	—
Net inc. for the period	\$95,372	\$95,267	\$97,014	\$39,723
Undistributed bal. of income at March 31	89,828	86,638	78,931	73,140
Refund of Fed. inc. tax for pr. yrs., with int.	362	—	—	—
Excess Fed. cap. stock tax for year ended March 31, 1938	—	—	—	5,514
Total	\$185,200	\$182,267	\$175,945	\$118,377
Distributions made during the period	78,662	89,232	82,886	*61,059
Addit'l Fed. inc. tax	—	4718	18,918	—
Undist. bal. of inc. at end of period	\$106,538	\$92,318	\$74,142	\$57,317

\*Prior to the close of the current fiscal year, a portion of the distributions will be charged to net profit on securities sold. \*Includes other dividends amounting to \$3,431 in 1941, \$566 in 1940 and \$1,136 in 1939. †Additional New York State franchise tax assessment for prior years.

#### Balance Sheet, Dec. 31, 1941

Assets—Cash in banks—demand deposits, \$51,458; dividends receivable, \$9,824; receivable from sale of securities, \$4,618; marketable securities owned, at average cost—deposited for safekeeping with bank depositary, \$2,419,177; total, \$2,485,076.

Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$15,656; accrued taxes, \$6,726; reserve for claim of New York State Tax Commission for additional transfer taxes of prior years, \$19,793; capital stock (\$1 par, less 247,640 shares in treasury), \$158,810; balance of paid-in surplus, \$2,177,552; undistributed balance of income, \$106,538; total, \$2,485,076.

Investments, Dec. 31, 1941					
Per Cent of Net Assets at Quoted Value	Shares	Common Stocks	Average Cost	Quoted Value	Net
7.21	1,000	American Tel. & Tel. Co.	\$125,525	\$128,525	
6.46	800	Allied Chemical & Dye Corp.	114,667	115,304	
4.96	1,200	Union Carbide & Carbon Corp.	84,466	88,440	
4.36	1,500	Sears, Roebuck & Co.	106,322	77,767	
4.33	1,000	J. C. Penney Co.	84,910	77,200	
4.31	1,000	Westinghouse Elec. & Mfg. Co.	102,900	76,855	
4.12	2,000	Kennecott Copper Corp.	105,878	73,480	
3.86	3,500	American Gas & Electric Co.	142,168	68,950	
3.63	1,000	Bethlehem Steel Corp.	75,733	64,710	
3.61	1,000	Columbian Carbon Co.	75,313	64,460	
3.58	2,400	Int'l Nickel Co. of Can., Ltd.	118,476	63,900	
3.49	1,500	Standard Oil Co. (New Jersey)	66,605	62,288	
3.46	1,500	Montgomery Ward & Co., Inc.	94,280	62,188	
3.44	1,000	American Smelt'g & Refin. Co.	91,504	61,658	
3.41	1,000	General Motors Corp.	89,519	61,088	
3.29	1,000	Texas Co.	68,974	58,927	
3.16	1,000	Chrysler Corp.	93,446	54,194	
3.01	1,000	Coca Products Refining Co.	74,874	53,765	
2.88	1,000	Procter & Gamble Co.	58,773	51,345	
2.72	1,000	National Steel Corp.	80,460	48,525	
2.57	1,000	International Harvester Co.	55,180	45,855	
2.46	2,000	Commonwealth Edison Co.	65,570	43,840	
2.23	1,200	Chesapeake & Ohio Ry.	35,450	39,792	
1.97	1,000	United Aircraft Corp.	39,348	35,172	
1.69	1,600	Pennsylvania RR.	60,401	30,088	
1.61	1,000	Sperry Corp. vtc.	44,045	28,809	
1.61	3,000	North American Co.	64,631	28,755	
1.29	1,000	Continental Can Co., Inc.	49,826	22,923	
1.15	1,000	Commercial Inv. Trust Corp.	55,193	20,500	

98.67 Cash and other assets (net) \$2,419,177 \$1,759,871

1.33 \$23,724 \$23,724

100.00 \$2,442,901 \$1,783,595

#### Net Asset (Redemption) Value Per Share, \$11.23 (As of Dec. 31, 1941)

Security values have been calculated at last sale prices on Dec. 31, 1941. A deduction has been made for brokerage and transfer taxes. In arriving at the price on which the offering price is based, an allowance for brokerage on portfolio securities is added. Although two of the security holdings listed above individually represent an investment of more than 5% of net assets based on quoted values, the amount invested in the securities of any one corporation does not represent more than 5% of the gross assets of the fund based on identified cost.—V. 154, p. 757.

#### Spokane International RR.—Earnings—

December	1941	1940	1939	1938
Gross from railway	\$66,892	\$62,964	\$57,709	\$57,215
Net from railway	13,630	22,591	15,548	16,667
Net ry. oper. income	5,750	14,678	4,928	10,047
From Jan. 1				
Gross from railway	945,424	829,240	798,188	741,198
Net from railway	306,501	251,400	195,700	147,606
Net ry. oper. income	197,702	150,095	96,238	56,461
V. 155, p. 56.				

#### Square D Co.—Proposed Changes in Capitalization—

A special meeting of stockholders will be held on Feb. 16 to consider increasing the authorized common stock from 500,000 shares to 600,000 shares, and reducing the authorized 5% convertible preferred stock from 30,000 shares to 19,000 shares, F. W. Magin, President, announced on Jan. 26.

The company's financial condition is satisfactory in every respect, and no immediate need for additional capital is apparent," he stated. "But in view of the substantially increased volume of our business, necessitating the carrying of larger inventories and receivables and

amounts warranted by the company's current earnings, it is announced.

In 1941 the company paid 15 cents per share on March 3, June 2, Sept. 2 and Dec. 1; also extras of 10 cents on Sept. 2 and Dec. 1, and a year-end of 20 cents on Dec. 27.—V. 155, p. 1306.

#### Title Guarantee & Trust Co.—Earnings—

Years Ended Dec. 31—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Income	\$3,030,260	\$2,890,170	\$3,056,832	\$3,114,447
Operating expenses	2,434,864	2,438,275	2,597,040	2,761,469
Operating income	\$95,396	\$451,895	\$459,792	\$352,978
Interest & expenses of obligations to RFC	190,178	231,513	260,438	285,031
Interest on deposits therefor	13,951	15,341	16,654	17,335
Fed. deposit insurance	17,369	16,355	15,096	13,690
Fed. social sec. & State unempl. insur. taxes	64,383	65,063	75,029	78,195
Federal capital stock & State franchise taxes	1,639	8,610	7,810	15,209
Depr. on co's off. bldg.				158,061
Net profit before non-operating losses	\$206,802	\$23,471	\$3,705	*\$253,179
*Loss				

Balance Sheet, Dec. 31	1941	1940
Assets—		
Cash on hand, due from Federal Reserve Bank and other banks	\$8,354,519	\$8,770,911
Call loans	725,000	1,160,000
United States Government securities	3,782,361	2,213,183
State and municipal bonds	448,471	579,224
Other stocks and bonds	1,073,874	1,043,999
Demand or short-term loans secured by marketable collateral	2,944,302	2,582,640
Other loans and discounts (less prepaid int.)	2,841,115	2,775,298
Accounts receivable	283,321	317,655
Depositors' overdrafts	2,447	1,137
Advances as trustee	44,036	57,177
Interest receivable	92,230	97,828
Real estate and mortgages	5,040,135	5,258,673
Real estate—acquired for company's offices	5,900,000	5,900,000
Acquired for other corporate purposes	2,168,467	2,168,467
*Acquired through foreclosure	1,037,578	2,167,879
Mortgage partic. cts. and interest in real estate	1,905,662	2,745,716
Title insurance reserve fund	368,308	332,508
Stocks of associate companies	157,936	188,937
Other assets	100,448	105,326
Customers' lab. for accepts. & letters of credit	24,235	117,415
Total	\$36,894,447	\$38,583,973
Liabilities—		
Capital	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000
Surplus	1,170,972	1,539,169
Secured debenture notes	4,755,706	5,875,634
Reserve for contingencies	1,525,578	1,976,222
Reserve for title insurance	368,308	332,508
Res. for taxes, int., exps. & unearned income	162,298	176,925
Deposits	22,236,612	21,819,384
Certified and officers' checks	649,831	738,989
Acceptances and letters of credit	25,142	125,143
Total	\$36,894,447	\$38,583,973

\*After reserves amounting to \$1,126,308 in 1941 and \$1,116,748 in 1940.—V. 152, p. 998.

#### Transamerica Corp.—California Farm Land Sales By Subsidiary Gain—

Sales of farm properties totaling \$3,582,672 are reported by the California Lands Division of Capital Co., a subsidiary of Transamerica Corp., for the 12 months ended Dec. 31, last. This represented an increase of approximately 23% over sales of \$2,917,042 reported a year ago. Sales in 1939 totaled \$2,034,783.

During the year the Capital Co. sold 625 farms comprising 94,390 acres, with an average value per farm of \$5,732. This compares with 612 farms comprising 111,639 acres with an average value per farm of \$4,766 in 1940. Average size per farm sold in 1941 was 152 acres compared with 182 acres a year earlier, the announcement said.—V. 155, p. 270.

#### Transcontinental & Western Air, Inc.—Listed on Chicago—

The Chicago Stock Exchange has approved the application of company to list 1,000,000 shares of common stock (\$5 par), which will be admitted to trading upon official notice of registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.—V. 155, p. 77.

#### Tri-City Ry. (Ill.)—To Be Merged—

See under United Light & Power Co.

#### Tri-City Ry. (Iowa)—To Be Merged—

See under United Light & Power Co.—V. 82, p. 335.

#### Tri-Continental Corp. — National Investors Corp. is New Member of Group—

See that corporation above.—V. 155, p. 403.

#### Twin Coach Co.—Gets Large Bus Orders—

During the first 20 days of this month, the company has received orders for 200 new buses, or about one-fifth of the 1,000 buses produced by the company during all of last year, it is stated. Current backlog of the company is said to total about \$6,750,000.

Reflecting the greater need for bus transportation by the nation's cities during the war period, the OPM recently boosted Twin Coach's allowable production for February to 115 buses.—V. 155, p. 270.

#### Tyler Building Corp.—Interest Payment—

The rate of interest to be paid to the holders of 20-year general mortgage income bonds outstanding, dated July 11, 1933, on account of the coupon which matures on March 1, 1942, has been fixed by the corporation at 3%, payable upon presentation and surrender of such coupon at the New York Trust Co., trustee, 100 Broadway New York City.—V. 140, p. 988.

**Union Carbide & Carbon Corp.—Stock Offered—** Morgan Stanley & Co., and Dominick & Dominick offered after the close of business Jan. 27 a block of 63,500 shares of capital stock (no par), at a fixed price of 66 1/2 net. Dealer's discount \$1.—V. 154, p. 911.

**Union Electric Co. of Missouri—To Register 2,695,000 Shares of Common Stock — Company Earned \$2.67 a Share in 1941—**

The entire common stock of the company, one of the nation's leading utilities, will be registered shortly with the SEC, it was announced Jan. 30 by J. Wesley McAfee, President.

Comprising 2,695,000 shares, the proposed offering will mark the largest common stock distribution ever made under the Securities Act. The stock, all of which is owned by the North American Co., is to be distributed to the general public through a nation-wide group of investment banking houses headed by Dillon, Read & Co., of New York.

North American Co. has filed an application with the SEC for approval of the program, proceeds from the sale to be applied by North American first to the retirement of its entire outstanding debentures indebtedness and the balance to be used for general corporate purposes.

The actual offering price and date of sale have not yet been determined. The book value of Union Electric's common stock, represented by stated value of \$62,500,000 for 2,695,000 shares outstanding,

\$12,314,465 of earned surplus and \$1,192,500 of capital surplus as of Sept. 30, 1941, totals \$76,006,966, according to the latest available balance sheet. This total amounts to \$28.20 per share.

Consolidated net earnings on the common stock of Union Electric for 1941 totaled \$7,186,811, compared with \$6,324,196 for 1940, an increase of 13.6%, according to a preliminary earnings statement.

During 1941 the common stock capitalization was increased by 400,000 shares when the North American Co. invested \$10,000,000 of new money to facilitate Union Electric's construction program from which revenues have not as yet been derived. Despite the increased number of shares, however, the 1941 earnings were equivalent to \$2.67 per share on the basis of 2,695,000 shares outstanding at the year-end, while the 1940 earnings were equal to \$2.76 per share on the 2,295,000 shares outstanding.—V. 155, p. 367.

#### Union Potash & Chemical Co.—Arrangements Made for Sale of Debentures During 1942—See American General Corp.—V. 152, p. 998; V. 154, p. 1732.

#### Union Premier Food Stores, Inc.—Sales Higher—

4 Weeks Ended Jan. 24—  
1942      1941      Increase  
Sales      \$3,329,135      \$2,316,826      \$1,012,309  
There were 75 stores in operation at Jan. 24, 1942, compared with 71 for last year.—V. 155, p. 57.

#### United Aircraft Corp.—Initial Preferred Dividend—

The directors have declared an initial dividend of 75 cents per share on the 5% cumulative preferred stock, par \$100, payable March 2 to holders of record Feb. 12. For offering, see V. 155, p. 308.

#### United Aircraft Products, Inc.—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. 26. A like amount was paid on this issue on Dec. 15, last, as against a quarterly dividend of 25 cents and an extra of 25 cents on Sept. 18, last, and a dividend of 50 cents on June 2, 1941. A total of 10 cents per share was paid in the year 1940.—V. 154, p. 1633.

#### United Distillers of Canada Ltd. (& Subs.)—Earnings

Years Ended Sept. 30—  
Profit, before depreciation, interest, etc.      1941      1940  
Executive salaries      \$201,012      \$150,510  
Legal fees      28,700      28,700  
Bad debts      1,399      389  
Provision for depreciation      4,486      4,632  
Interest      49,757      48,632  
Provision for income and excess profits taxes      14,821      17,382  
Net profit      \$56,417      \$38,570

Note—Figures do not include the United Distillers (of America), Ltd., a wholly-owned subsidiary.

#### Consolidated Balance Sheet, Sept. 30, 1941

Assets—Land, \$46,971; buildings, plant, machinery, equipment, automobile, etc. (net), \$300,937; goodwill, trade marks, licenses, etc. (net), \$45,001; investments, \$212,075; bulk and bottled whiskies and beers, \$653,968; barrels and drums, \$25,568; materials and supplies, \$107,407; insurance unexpired and prepaid expenses, \$25,054; advance to customers, \$22,092; trade accounts receivable, \$99,477; amount owing by a shareholding company, \$56,051; cash on hand, \$128; total, \$1,594,728.

Liabilities—Capital shares (704,696 no par shs.), \$1,057,474; earned surplus, \$133,806; capital surplus, \$33,102; reserve for contingencies, \$50,144; deferred liability, \$32,777; due to banks (secured), \$148,212; Sundry creditors (including accruals), \$69,077; reserve for income, excess profits and other taxes, \$70,135; total, \$1,594,728.—V. 155, p. 195.

#### United Engineering & Foundry Co.—75-Cent Div.—

The directors have declared a dividend of 75 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 3 to holders of record Feb. 20. This compares with 50 cents paid on March 10, May 13, Aug. 12 and Nov. 18, last year, and a year-end dividend of \$1 per share on Dec. 23, 1941.—V. 155, p. 57.

#### United Gas Corp.—Refinancing Discussed with SEC—

The corporation and affiliated companies appeared before the SEC on Jan. 28 in connection with the proposed sale of \$75,000,000 first mortgage 3 1/4% collateral trust bonds, due 1958.

It is now hoped that some compromise of the differences between Electric Bond & Share Co. and the SEC, pending ultimate final determination, can be worked out in time to permit the financing contracts between United Gas and a group of insurance companies to become effective. These contracts expire on Feb. 1, and provide for the purchase of \$75,000,000 first mortgage and collateral trust 3 1/4% bonds of United Gas.

If such a compromise is reached it probably will provide for a revision of the original plans. These called for a refinancing of all debt of United Gas, including the more than \$50,000,000 owned by Electric Bond & Share as well as payment of arrears on United Gas first preferred stock amounting to around \$20 a share.

The plan now believed to be most strongly advocated as a means of expediting the financing operation would substitute retirement of United Gas Corp. \$44,982,200 of \$7 dividend first preferred stock in place of immediate refinancing of the United Gas debt owned by Electric Bond & Share. That debt would be subordinated to the new debt pending final settlement of the differences that exist with the SEC.

In addition to the necessary SEC sanction of the refinancing steps, it will be necessary also to obtain agreement of the insurance companies to a further extension of the date of the purchase contract to permit completion of the necessary corporate steps.

#### Accumulated Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of \$2.25 per share on account of accumulations on the \$7 cumulative non-voting preferred stock, no par value, payable March 2 to holders of record Feb. 6. A dividend of like amount was paid in each of the 10 preceding quarters, as compared with \$1.75 previously.—V. 155, p. 194.

#### United Gas Improvement Co.—Earnings—

Years End. Dec. 31—  
Income—dividends      1941      \*1940  
Interest      \$23,412,525      \$29,142,702  
Interest      188,482      183,317  
Income from miscellaneous investments      51,705      17,235  
Income from special fund      1,403      1,335  
Other income      159,334      124,776

Total income      \$23,813,449      \$29,469,365

Expenses, traveling expenses, office rentals, supplies, etc.      1,203,492      1,166,451

General expenses      301,945      302,311

Provision for Federal taxes      1,090,197      1,048,171

Provision for Pennsylvania State taxes      416,663      437,814

Net operating income      \$20,801,152      \$26,514,618

Other deductions from income      193,484      121,017

Income appropriated to special fund reserve, etc.      1,479      2,252

Net income balance      \$20,606,189      \$26,391,349

Dividends on \$5 dividend pref. stock      3,826,080      3,826,080

Dividends on common stock      17,438,831      23,251,774

Deficit      \$658,722      \$686,505

\*1940 figures restated for comparative purposes.

#### Dividends—

The directors on Jan. 27 declared a regular quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share on the common stock and the usual quarterly dividend of \$1.25 per share on the preferred stock, both payable March 31 to holders of record Feb. 27. A distribution of 15 cents per share was made on the common stock on Dec. 23, last, as compared with payments of 20 cents in each of the three preceding quarters.

#### Weekly Output—

The electric output for the U. G. I. system companies for the week just closed and the figures for the same week last year are as follows: Week ending Jan. 24, 1942, 116,242,179 kwh.; same week last year,

104,268,518 kwh., an increase of 11,973,661 kwh., or 11.5%.—V. 155, p. 367.

#### United Light & Power Co.—Dissolution Plan Approved by SEC—Nine Subsidiaries to Unite to Form Operating Unit of Iowa-Illinois Gas & Electric Co.—

to Railways for \$13,375,000 in cash, of which \$8,000,000 will constitute capital and \$5,375,000 will constitute paid-in surplus.

In addition, Iowa-Illinois will issue 52,250 shares of its common stock to Railways in consideration for the transfer by Railways to Iowa-Illinois of the interest of Railways in UPM, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Railways. UPM will be dissolved and its assets acquired by Iowa-Illinois. Fifty shares issued to Power at date of organization of Iowa-Illinois for \$5,000 cash will be contributed at this amount by Power to Railways.

Upon consummation of these acquisitions, Railways will own all the outstanding stock of Iowa-Illinois.

#### Balance Sheet

A combined balance sheet of the constituent companies and a pro-forma balance sheet of Iowa-Illinois, both as of Sept. 30, 1941, appear below:

	Constituent Companies Iowa-Illinois	Pro Forma
Assets—		
Utility plant	\$36,221,931	\$36,221,931
Investments	117,992	117,992
Cash	1,840,237	1,840,237
Other current assets	2,648,101	2,648,101
Other deferred charges	510,083	510,083
Total	\$41,338,344	\$41,338,344
Liabilities—		
Due to parents—Railways and Power	\$14,815,274	—
United Light & Rys. (Me.), Series A, 6% 1952	—	10,578,000
United Light & Power Co., 5½%, 1959	—	5,422,000
Common stock	11,842,500	13,330,000
Current liabilities	2,523,003	2,523,003
Reserve for depreciation	9,584,393	9,584,393
Other reserves	154,715	213,866
Contributions in aid of construction	47,105	47,106
Paid-in surplus	3,685,024	—
Earned surplus (deficit)	—	360,024
Total Liabilities	\$41,338,344	\$41,338,344

After giving effect to adjustments to be made before the combination, it is anticipated that this deficit of \$360,024 in paid-in surplus account will be converted into a credit balance of approximately \$60,000 at Dec. 31, 1941, the expected date of consummation of the combination. This combined deficit arises principally from a deficit in earned surplus account of one of the constituent companies resulting from the abandonment of railway property.

#### Income Account

The income accounts of the constituent companies combined and for Iowa-Illinois on a pro forma basis, both for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1941, are shown below:

	Constituent Iowa-Illinois Companies	Pro Forma
Operating revenues	\$11,143,338	\$11,149,338
Electricity and Gas purchases for resale	1,770,380	1,770,380
Operation	2,838,172	2,838,172
Maintenance	485,804	485,804
Depreciation	873,093	873,093
General taxes	1,002,810	1,002,810
Federal and State income taxes	979,648	1,030,000
Net earnings from operations	\$3,199,431	\$3,039,079
Other income (net)	187,685	187,685
Gross income	\$3,387,116	\$3,285,764
Interest on present debt	900,457	—
Interest on assumed debt	—	932,890
Other income deductions (net)	3,293	3,293
Net income	\$2,483,356	\$2,350,581
Times bond interest earned	—	3.52

The pro forma income account does not reflect operating economies, estimated in excess of \$200,000 per annum, which the applicants expect to realize as a result of the combination, nor any savings which may be obtainable through refunding operations.

#### Conclusions

It will be recalled that Iowa-Illinois will pay \$13,375,000 in cash and will assume bonded indebtedness of \$16,000,000, a total consideration of \$29,375,000, for assets of the First Lien Companies having an aggregate book value of \$23,699,127; the excess of cost to Iowa-Illinois over book value, amounting to \$5,675,873, will be written off by Iowa-Illinois against capital surplus.

Applicants state that the cost to Power (or its predecessors) of its interest in the First Lien Companies is not less than the amount of \$29,375,000 which Iowa-Illinois proposes to pay. The gross income for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1941, applicable to these properties was \$2,871,496. The amount which Iowa-Illinois proposes to pay is therefore approximately 10.2 times such gross income.

In addition, as previously noted, Iowa-Illinois will acquire the interest of Railways in UPM, having an underlying book value of \$5,325,000, in consideration for the issuance of 53,250 shares of \$10 par value common stock. Applicants state that the amount of \$5,325,000 represents the cost to Railways of its interest in UPM.

On the basis of the foregoing, we find that the consideration which Iowa-Illinois proposes to pay Power and Railways for the assets which it will acquire is reasonable and bears a fair relation to the sums invested in and the earning capacity of these assets.

The acquisition by Iowa-Illinois of the securities of the First Lien Companies and UPM, and the dissolution and liquidation of these companies, is subject to the requirements of Sections 10 and 12 (c) of the Act and Rule U-42 thereunder. For the reasons previously stated we find that no adverse findings are necessary under Section 10 (b) or 10 (c) (1) and that the provisions of Sections 10 (e) and 10 (f), and the applicable requirements of Section 12 (c) and Rule U-42 are satisfied. We make similar findings with respect to the acquisition by Railways of the common stock of Iowa-Illinois. We likewise find that these acquisitions have the tendency required by Section 10 (c) (2) of the Act.

The disposition, by Power and Railways of the securities of the First Lien Companies and UPM, respectively, to Iowa-Illinois is subject to the standards of Sections 12 (b), 12 (d), and 12 (f) of the Act and Rules U-43, 44, and 45 thereunder. We find that the requirements of these portions of the statute and the Rules are met. We reach a similar conclusion as to the disposition by Power to Railways of the 50 shares of stock in Iowa-Illinois.

We do not at this time pass upon the application of the provisions of Section 11 (b) (1) of the Act to the various transactions proposed in Application No. 5. It may be noted that the electric assets in the tri-city area, constituting a substantial amount of the aggregate electric utility assets involved in these transactions, are inter-connected and appear capable of being operated as an integrated electric utility system. Likewise, the gas assets in this area, constituting a substantial portion of the total gas assets involved, appear to constitute an integrated gas utility system. We are satisfied that the transactions as a whole serve the public interest by tending towards the economical and efficient development of an integrated public utility system, and we find that the provisions of Section 10 (e) (2) are met. Moreover, these proposals definitely contribute toward compliance with Section 11 (b) (2), through the accomplishment of necessary preliminary steps in the dissolution of Power, the top holding company, and the elimination of 10 corporate entities from the holding company system. We conclude, therefore, that we may appropriately consider (and approve, as we do) the various proposals embodied in Application No. 5 without at this time passing upon the question of whether the properties of the constituent companies constitute in all respects an integrated public utility system and such additional integrated public utility systems and additional businesses as are retainable under the standards of Section 11 (b) (1). As to these matters, we reserve jurisdiction. Our order will so provide.

**Capitalization of Iowa-Illinois As of Dec. 31, 1941**  
(Giving effect to the cash advances by Power and the retention of estimated earnings for the last three months of 1941)

First lien and consolidated mortgage bonds—  
United Light & Rys. (Me.), series A, 6% due 1952 (non-callable prior to 1947) \$10,578,000  
United Light & Power Co., 5½%, series of 1924, due 1959 5,422,000  
Common stock (\$100 par) 13,330,000  
Paid-in surplus 900,000

Total capitalization and surplus \$30,230,000

#### Conclusions

The issuance by Iowa-Illinois of its common stock to Railways (consisting of 80,000 shares for \$13,375,000 of cash, and 53,250 shares for the securities and indebtedness of UPM) and the assumption by Iowa-Illinois of the first Lien and consolidated mortgage bonds are transactions with respect to which the provisions of Section 6 (a) of the Act require the filing of a declaration under Section 7 unless an exemption is available under Section 6 (b). The applicants have requested that their filing be treated as an application for exemption under Section 6 (b), or, in the alternative, as a declaration under Section 7.

Section 6 (b) requires the Commission upon such terms and conditions as it deems appropriate in the public interest and for the protection of investors or consumers to exempt from Section 6 (a) the issue and sale of securities which are "solely for the purpose of financing the business of such subsidiary company and have been expressly authorized by the State commission of the State in which such subsidiary company is organized and doing business."

Iowa-Illinois will have its assets and business divided between the States of Illinois and Iowa. The proposed issuances have been expressly authorized by the Illinois Commerce Commission and, to the extent of its jurisdiction, by the Iowa Executive Council. The authority of the Iowa Executive Council extends only to the issuance by Iowa-Illinois of its stock in exchange for the securities of UPM. The State of Iowa has no public utility regulatory agency with general jurisdiction.

Some question may exist, therefore, whether the authorization of State authorities obtained in this instance satisfies the pertinent statutory requirement. We deem it unnecessary, however, to determine this question for it is clear that an additional statutory requirement essential for exemption is not met. We refer to the provision that the securities must be issued "solely" for the purpose of financing the business of Iowa-Illinois.

The program now before us is an integral step in the plan of this holding system for compliance with Section 11 (b), and more specifically, for the carrying out of our order of March 20, 1941, under Section 11 (b) (2) of the Act, directing elimination of Power, the top holding company. It is evident, therefore, that these security issuances are not "solely" for the purpose of financing the business of Iowa-Illinois. We accordingly conclude that exemption is not available under Section 6 (b) of the Act. We therefore treat the filing as a declaration under Section 7.

As to the bonds, we find that they will be secured by a first lien on the physical property of Iowa-Illinois; the requirements of Section 7 (c) (1) of the Act are thus satisfied. The common stock to be issued by Iowa-Illinois has a par value (\$100) and otherwise meets the applicable requirements of Section 7 (c) (1). For reasons previously set forth, we further find as to both the bonds and common stock that no adverse findings are necessary under Section 7 (d) and that the other applicable provisions of Section 7, specifically Sections 7 (e), 7 (f) and 7 (g), are satisfied.

#### Contribution of Various Securities by Power to Railways

After transfer by Power to Iowa-Illinois of the securities and indebtedness of the First Lien Companies, there will remain in the investment portfolio of Power (in addition to the common stock of Railways) various securities having an aggregate cost to Power of \$1,744,138. Power will transfer these securities to Railways as a capital contribution.

#### Disposition of Inter-Urban Bus and Railroad Business

Tri-City Railway Co. (Iowa), one of the First Lien Companies, owns and operates a transportation business furnishing urban bus service in the City of Davenport, Iowa, and adjacent communities in Iowa. The company also furnishes inter-urban bus service between the cities of Muscatine, Davenport and Clinton, Iowa. The inter-urban business will not be acquired by Iowa-Illinois in the proposed combination. The equipment and assets used in the operation of the inter-urban business will be transferred by Tri-City Railway Co. (Iowa) to a newly organized corporation, Muscatine, Davenport and Clinton Bus Co., a wholly owned subsidiary of Railways. The new company will pay \$18,150 in cash and assume liabilities of Tri-City Railway Co. (Iowa) in amount of \$11,525 relating to the inter-urban business.

The funds necessary to finance this acquisition will be obtained by the new company through sale of 207 shares of its common stock (\$100 par) to Railways for \$100 share, a total of \$20,700. Three additional shares have been issued at the same price to the incorporators of the company; these shares will be acquired by Railways for \$100 per share.

The transfer by Tri-City Railway Co. (Iowa) of its inter-urban bus business to Muscatine, Davenport and Clinton Bus Co. is subject to the requirements of Rule U-43 as a transaction between affiliates. We find the transaction consistent with the statutory requirements. The acquisition by Railways of stock in Muscatine, Davenport and Clinton Bus Co. is subject to requirements of Section 10 of the Act. We find that no adverse findings are necessary under Sections 10 (b) or 10 (c) (1). The provisions of Section 10 (c) (2) are inapplicable since the stock of Muscatine is not a security of a public utility or holding company within the purview of this statutory provision.

Railways intends to dispose of its interest in Muscatine, Davenport and Clinton Bus Co. and has consented to the inclusion of a provision in our order in these proceedings directing disposition of its interest within one year from the date of the order. Our order will contain a provision to this effect.

Railways owns all of the outstanding securities and indebtedness of Mason City and Clear Lake RR, which operates an inter-urban freight transportation business between Mason City and Clear Lake, Iowa. The record indicates that the present fair value of the investment of Power in this company does not exceed \$225,000. Power has consented to the inclusion of a provision in our order in these proceedings directing disposition of its interest in this company within one year from the date of the order. Our order will contain a provision to this effect.

#### Purchase (As Distinguished From Redemption) by Power

Power requests authority to purchase at the principal amount thereof (exclusive of commissions), plus accrued interest, all or any part of its debentures, which as of Sept. 30, 1941, were outstanding in the following amounts:

Debt Type	Issue Date	Interest Rate	Par Value	Accrued Interest	Total Purchase Amount
6% debenture bonds, series A, due Jan. 1, 1973	Issued Feb. 20, 1924	6%	\$1,000	\$2,025,900	\$2,025,900
Debentures, series of 1924, 6½%, due May 1, 1974	Issued by Power	6½%	\$1,000	4,458,000	4,458,000
Debentures, 6%, series of 1925, due Nov. 1, 1975	Issued by Power	6%	\$1,000	9,213,900	9,213,900
<b>Total</b>					<b>\$15,697,800</b>

Purchases will be made at public or private sale or upon tender. No more than the usual or customary commissions or brokerage fees will be paid. In connection with purchases made directly by Power without services of a broker or dealer, no fees or commissions will be paid, and no fees or commissions will be paid to an affiliate in connection with any purchase.

Power states that the prompt purchase of debentures constitutes the best available use for the cash obtained through the sale of its interest in the First Lien Companies. It points out that it receives no income from its idle cash and that it is in the best interests of Power and its stockholders to reduce its indebtedness and related interest charges as rapidly as possible.

It should be emphasized that the authorization requested by Power at this time relates to purchase, not redemption, of the debentures. Any debentures which Power purchases under the authorization requested will be canceled by Power. Power represents that it will make subsequent application to the Commission for an order authorizing and directing it to redeem such of its debentures as may then be outstanding, by the payment of the principal amount plus accrued interest, without premium. Power states that since it considers its liquidation to be involuntary, the provisions in the indenture for voluntary redemption of the debentures (involving payment of a premium of 9% of the principal amount) are deemed by it to be inapplicable. It may be noted that the proposals involved in Application No. 5 provide for the availability to Power of sufficient cash to pay principal, interest and premium, if found necessary, on all outstanding debentures.

The acquisition by Power of its debentures is subject to the provisions of Section 12 (c) of the Act and Rule U-42 thereunder. We find these applicable requirements satisfied.

#### SUMMARY

**As to Power**—Upon consummation of the proposed transactions (assuming retirement by Power of its outstanding debentures and, for purposes of this discussion, without premium), Power will have as its remaining assets (a) the outstanding common stock of Railways; (b) cash of approximately \$1,664,000, and (c) its investments in La Porte Gas and Electric Co. and Mason City and Clear Lake RR. In our order of Aug. 5, 1941, Power was ordered to dispose of its interest in La Porte Gas and Electric Co. and our order in these proceedings will direct Power to dispose of its interest in Mason City and Clear Lake RR. Power will have no indebtedness and its outstanding securities will consist of the present amounts of preferred and common stocks.

Power thus will be in a favorable position to proceed with its ultimate liquidation and dissolution.

In considering the effect of the plan upon security holders, it may be noted that the first Lien and consolidated bonds of Power will be protected by both substantial earnings and property coverages and will become the obligation of an operating utility company instead of a top holding company.

As to the debentures, it appears that sufficient cash will become available to Power under the plan to discharge its indebtedness on these securities, including the payment of premium, if found to be necessary.

It will be recalled that the plan is proposed as a method of accomplishing necessary preliminary steps in the dissolution of Power, to comply with our order of March 20, 1941, under Section 11 (b) (2) of the statute. The proposals eliminate various corporate complexities and improve the capital structure of the holding company system. The record indicates that the common stock of Railways has substantial value. To the extent that the stockholders of Power have an equity in the assets to be transferred under the plan, their equity position will be maintained and, to the extent anticipated economies and other savings are realized by Iowa-Illinois, their position should be enhanced through a corresponding increment in the values underlying the common stock of Railways, the principal remaining asset of Power. In addition, the financing of necessary plant expansion by Iowa-Illinois to meet increased demands resulting from the war effort, will be facilitated.

**As to Railways**—On the basis of the pro forma income statement for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1941, the net earnings of Iowa-Illinois are estimated to total 13% of the amount of the proposed investment by Railways therein. Under the plan, Railways will receive a capital contribution from Power in the amount of \$1,800,632 as recorded by Railways. The cancellation by Railways of its debentures and preferred stock included in this contribution will result in interest and dividend savings. It appears, therefore, that the earnings and asset position of Railways and holders of its debentures, preferred and common stock will not be adversely affected by the plan. —V. 155, p. 367.

#### United Power Manufacturing Co.—To Be Dissolved

See under United Light & Power Co.

#### United Public Service Corp.—Distribution of Assets to Stockholders of \$4 Per Share

The directors on Jan. 26 authorized the payment of \$4 per share to stockholders of record at the close of business on Jan. 31, 1942, as a partial distribution of the net assets of the corporation in excess of its capital.

This distribution, the corporation pointed out, does not represent a dividend payable out of earnings, but is a distribution of the major portion of the asset value represented by the corporation's stock. On Dec. 30, 1941, the corporation sold its principal assets, consisting of a \$1,200,000 income note and 16,000 shares of common stock of Kentucky Power & Light Co., for \$1,200,000, plus accrued interest on the note.

On Dec. 15, last, the corporation paid a dividend of 15 cents per share on the stock, as against 10 cents per share on Dec. 16, 1940. —V. 154, p. 1306.

#### United Shoe Machinery Corp.—Special Dividend

The directors have declared a special dividend of \$1.50 per share on the common stock, payable Feb. 25 to holders of record Feb. 3. The regular quarterly dividend of 62½ cents per share was paid on this on Jan. 5, 1942.

On Feb. 25, 1941, the company made a special distribution of \$1 per share on the common stock, as against special dividends of \$1.50 each on Feb. 14, 1940, and on Feb. 14, 1939. —V. 152, p. 3516.

#### United States Fidelity & Guaranty Co. Of Baltimore—1941 Most Profitable Year In History

The first of the nation wide casualty-surety insurance companies to make its report for 1941 was the company whose annual meeting was held Jan. 26, and which reported one of the most profitable years in its history.

The report shows that the net premiums written were \$39,248,350, an increase of 14.2% over the previous year. While increases were shown in all lines, the largest was in workmen's compensation insurance. Losses, expenses, taxes incurred amounted to \$33,762,463. Net earned income from underwriting for the year was \$3,542,501, and net earned income from investments and rents, \$1,611,216, a total of \$5,153,718, or \$5.15 per share. This compares with \$4.62 per share in 1940. After deducting \$1,037,035 resulting from security

**United States Life Insurance Co.—1941 Outstanding Year—**

The year 1941 closed as an outstanding one in the 92-year history of the company, according to figures recently released by George M. Selser, Executive Vice-President. The record shows total paid-for new business amounting to approximately \$19,000,000, an increase of 60% over 1940. Insurance in force was increased by approximately \$12,000,000, a gain of 120% over the increase of \$5,351,518 in 1940. Practically all agencies of the company, according to Mr. Selser, exceeded their production in 1941 with the following five leading the field: Dascit Underwriters, Inc., Elizalde & Co., Brainard & Black, James F. MacGrath, Jr., and Independence Agency.

Among the highlights of the company's operations during the year were the appointment of six new general agents, namely: Estate Consultants, Inc., Newark; Robert P. Baird, Hornell, N. Y.; N. A. G. E. Service, Inc., N. Y. City; Hartford, Conn.; District of Columbia; Joseph G. Orr, Chicago, Ill.; W. Welsh Pierce Agency, Ltd., Chicago, Ill., and Engelhard & Co., Chicago, Ill.; the election of Mansfield Freeman as President and C. V. Starr as Chairman of the board; the expansion of the home office with additions to personnel and floor space, and the satisfactory gains made by the accident and health department in its second year of operation.

In commenting on the company's 1941 record, Mr. Selser said: "The figures tell a story of gratifying increases but behind the cold statistical picture is the story of our many hundreds of fieldmen—the 'Ed Grahams' of the U. S. Life to whom we pay special tribute for their loyalty, hard work and esprit de corps—the intangibles which our company, or any other, must have in order to move forward."—V. 155, p. 271.

**United States Steel Corp.—Quarterly Earnings Report, Dec. 31, 1941—**

Reporting the earnings of the corporation for the fourth quarter of 1941, Irving S. Olds, Chairman, announced that the directors, Jan. 27, declared the quarterly dividend of \$1.75 per share on the preferred stock, payable Feb. 20 to holders of record Jan. 30, and a dividend of \$1 per share on the common stock [same rate paid quarterly since Sept. 20, 1940], payable on March 20, 1942 to holders of record Feb. 20, 1942.

The corporation continues to exert its utmost efforts in all departments to aid in the production of war materials to meet in full all demands of the Government.

Shipments of finished steel products during the fourth quarter of 1941 showed an increase of 5% over the shipments for the third quarter of 1941 and of 17% over the same period of 1940. Shipments for the 12 months of 1941, subject to final year-end adjustments, were 36% more than the shipments for the corresponding 12 months of 1940. Both the fourth quarter and the 12 months' shipment totals established all-time records.

The policy of providing for those expenses which because of the high rate of operations must be deferred until a future time, and providing as well for those contingencies arising from the transition to a peace-time basis at the end of the war has been continued. Accordingly, a reserve of \$11,500,000 was set up in the fourth quarter, making a total contingencies reserve of \$25,000,000 for the year. Based on engineering studies, the high rate of operation and consequent greater use of plant (which resulted in extraordinary wear and tear) necessitated increased depreciation provisions, applicable throughout the year, which were also absorbed in the fourth quarter.

The net income for the fourth quarter of 1941 and for the year 1941 amounted to \$20,331,427 and \$116,019,518, respectively, after allowance for estimated Federal income and excess profits taxes. The net income for the year 1940 was \$102,211,282. Federal Shipbuilding & Dry Dock Co. earnings for that part of 1941 during which the shipyard was operated by the Navy Department are included in the fourth quarter results. The basis on which the shipyard was returned recognized that the operation had been for the account of the Federal Shipbuilding & Dry Dock Co., interest being paid on the cash advances made by the Navy Department during the period of its operation.

Earnings in 1941, after all charges except interest on funded debt, were equal to approximately 7% of the value of the net assets—the latter being the total assets less current liabilities.

Net current assets of the corporation and its subsidiaries at Dec. 31, 1941, after deducting the current dividend declarations, were \$491,900,000, compared with \$471,300,000 at Dec. 31, 1940.

Capital outlays during the 12 months of 1941 for additions to and betterments of properties, less credit for properties sold, were approximately \$104,300,000. Capital obligations retired during the same period amounted to \$13,400,000; capital obligations issued during the 12 months amounted to \$3,000,000. On Dec. 31, 1941, unexpired balances on all authorizations for property additions and replacements amounted to approximately \$183,800,000. In view of these contemplated expenditures it was deemed advisable to segregate \$60,000,000 of cash resources for such purposes.

Employment and payroll statistics for the fourth quarter, third quarter and 12 months of 1941 follow:

	4th Quarter	3rd Quarter	12 Mos.
1941	1941	1941	
Average number of employees	320,335	313,250	304,394
Total payroll	\$164,943,133	\$156,470,058	\$601,117,053

Consolidated Income Account (Company and Subsidiaries)

3 Mos. End. Dec. 31—	1941	1940	1939
Operating results	124,317,896	85,367,044	
State, social security tax, etc.	19,199,041	15,201,482	
Net earnings	105,118,855	70,165,562	*48,801,947
Depreciation, depletion, etc.	35,650,413	19,388,810	17,624,919
Operating profit	69,468,442	50,776,752	31,177,028
Net profit sale capital assets, etc.	263,610	550,303	126,718
Expense of future pensions		6,969,318	
Provision for contingencies	11,500,000		
Profit	58,232,052	44,357,737	31,150,310
Interest on bonds, mortgages, etc.	1,486,125	4,247,825	2,315,028
Fed. income and excess profits tax.	36,414,500	7,346,651	
Net profit	20,331,427	32,763,251	28,835,282
Preferred dividends	6,304,919	6,304,919	6,304,919
Common dividends	8,703,252	8,703,252	
Surplus	5,323,256	17,755,080	22,530,363
Earnings per share of com. stock	\$1.61	\$3.04	\$2.59

\*After expenses and Federal, State and local taxes. †Loss.

Preliminary Consolidated Income Account for Year Ended Dec. 31 (Company and Subsidiaries)

	1941	1940	1939
Operating results	435,870,420	280,066,069	
State, social security tax, etc.	72,796,332	59,119,204	
Net earnings	363,074,088	220,946,865*11,699,038	
Depreciation, depletion, etc.	95,815,089	71,168,471	61,133,191
Operating profit	267,258,999	149,778,394	50,565,847
Net loss sale capital assets, etc.	1,507,598	1,035,395	26,877
Patent litigation expense, less res.		1,850,000	
Expense of future pensions		6,969,318	
Provisions for contingencies	25,000,000		
Profit	240,751,401	141,994,471	50,538,970
Interest on bonds, mortgages, etc.	6,031,883	13,638,150	9,312,931
Fed. income and excess profits tax	118,700,000	26,175,000	
Net profit	116,019,518	102,181,321	41,226,039
Preferred dividends	25,219,676	25,219,677	25,219,677
Common dividends	34,813,008	34,813,008	
Surplus	55,986,834	42,148,636	16,006,362
Earnings per share of com. stock	\$10.43	\$8.84	\$1.84

\*After expenses and Federal, State and local taxes. †Profit.

Note—In ascertaining the profits for the fourth quarter and the 12 months of 1941 with respect to inventories of certain materials, work in process and finished goods of certain subsidiaries, the "last-in, first-out" inventory method is being applied, which means that costs of sales are calculated on the basis of current costs of inventories, instead of the average cost method used prior to Jan. 1, 1941. The above statement includes results of operations of Federal Shipbuilding &

Dry Dock Co. for the year 1941. The quarterly figures reflect the results for the period since Aug. 24, 1941, during which the yard was operated by the U. S. Navy Department.—V. 155, p. 404.

**United Wall Paper Factories, Inc.—New President**

William R. Yates, Executive Vice-President has been elected by the Board of Directors to the Presidency of the corporation, following the resignation of Albert J. Browning, it was announced on Jan. 27.—V. 155, p. 549.

**Van Norman Machine Tool Co.—25-Cent Dividend**

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the com. stock, par \$2.50, payable Mar. 20 to holders of record Mar. 10. This compares with 55 cents per share paid on Dec. 20, last, and 25 cents per share on March 20, June 20 and Sept. 20, 1941.—V. 155, p. 161.

**Vogt Mfg. Corp.—20-Cent Dividend**

The directors have declared a dividend of 20 cents per share on the common stock, no par value, payable March 2 to holders of record Feb. 13. A similar distribution was made on March 1, June 2, Sept. 2 and Dec. 1, last year, and, in addition, an extra payment of 50 cents was made on Dec. 22, 1941.—V. 152, p. 1300.

**Wabash RR.—Abandonment**

The ICC on Jan. 16 issued a certificate permitting abandonment by Norman B. Pitcairn and Frank C. Nicodemus Jr., receivers of the Wabash Ry., of a branch line of railroad extending from Salisbury to Glasgow, approximately 15.37 miles, in Chariton and Howard Counties, Mo.

**Carloadings**

Week Ended—	Jan. 24, '42	Dec. 27, '41	Jan. 25, '41
Loaded locally	6,130	4,617	5,821
Received from connections	12,240	9,585	10,257
Total	18,370	14,202	16,078

For the week ended Jan. 17, 1942, a total of 17,972 cars were loaded.—V. 155, p. 368.

**Walker Mfg. Co., Racine, Wis.—Accumulated Dividend**

The directors have declared a dividend of 75 cents per share on account of accumulations on the \$3 cumulative convertible preferred stock, par \$50, payable Feb. 2 to holders of record Jan. 31. This is the first payment since Oct. 25, 1937, when a like amount was paid.—V. 152, p. 1300.

**Waterbury Clock Co.—To Build New Plant**

The company has announced it would start construction soon of a \$700,000 plant at Waterbury, Conn., for assembling precision instruments for the Army and Navy. Between 600 and 1,000 workers will be employed at the new plant, which will contain 100,000 square feet of floor space, an Associated Press dispatch said.—V. 143, p. 2701.

**Waltham Watch Co.—Stock Litigation**

Percy G. Crocker, Cambridge, Mass., trading as Percy G. Crocker & Co., owner of 900 shares of the 6% preferred stock, has brought suit in equity in Suffolk (Mass.) Superior Court against the company and its directors asking for a decree that the directors are obligated to declare dividends on the class A common and 6 preferred stock for the years 1939, 1940 and 1941.

The defendants have filed an answer declaring that declarations of such dividends are within the discretion of the directors, that they have determined the earnings for those years, and that declarations of such dividends would be unwise and not in the interests of the corporation. They deny the earnings for those years were as set forth by the petitioner, namely, at least \$216,019 for 1939, at least \$284,500 for 1940, and at least as large for 1941 as for 1940.

The petitioner avers that the Articles of Association provide that directors shall determine the net earnings and pay one-fifth of them as dividends on class A common and shall pay a dividend on the 6% preferred equal to four times the amount paid on class A but not to exceed 6%. He avers the directors have failed and refused to ascertain the net earnings for 1939, 1940 and 1941, and to pay the class A common and 6% preferred dividends for those years.

The case is returnable the first Monday in March.—V. 154, p. 1732.

**Warren Brothers Co.—Court Approves Plan**

Federal Judge Brewster has filed an opinion in the U. S. District Court at Boston approving the plan of reorganization. The Judge's opinion directs the company to fix a time within which the creditors and security holders may assent to the plan. The next step will be for the company to circularize all the bondholders, other creditors and stockholders seeking their assents. In order to make the plan operative it will be necessary to secure the assents of two-thirds of the bondholders and creditors and a majority of each class of stock.—V. 154, p. 1732; V. 155, p. 309.

**Western Electric Co., Inc.—Leases Properties**

The company has leased four contiguous properties in the area bounded by South 16th St., Central Ave. and South 17th St. in East Orange, N. J., for the storage and distribution of telephone equipment, and plans to take possession in February.—V. 154, p. 1532.

**Western Maryland Ry.—Earnings**

Period Ended Dec. 31—	1941—Month	1940	1941—12 Mos.	1940
Operating revenues	\$2,005,887	\$1,836,687	\$22,810,110	\$19,146,204
Total operating exps.	*1,444,838	1,083,320	114,784,973	12,338,781
Net operating rev.	\$561,049	\$753,367	\$8,025,137	\$6,807,423
Taxes	205,228	188,970	2,525,228	1,548,970
Operating income	\$355,821	\$564,397	\$5,499,909	\$5,258,453
Equipment rents (Cr.)	36,070	13,062	447,424	198,712
(Dr)	12,503	12,969	152,313	150,757
Net ry. oper. income	\$379,388	\$564,490	\$5,795,020	\$5,306,408
Other income	12,718	15,906	114,128	135,956
Gross income	\$392,106	\$580,396	\$5,909,148	\$5,442,364
Fixed charges	276,515	278,268	3,354,794	3,341,630
Net income	\$115,591	\$302,128	\$2,554,354	\$2,100,734

\*Includes \$117,435 account amortization of defense project. †Includes \$479,583 account amortization of defense project.—V. 154, p. 1732.

**Western Pacific RR.—Earnings**

December—	1941	1940	1939	1938




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## DIVIDENDS

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Name of Company	Per Share	When Payable	Holders of Rec.	Name of Company	Per Share	When Payable	Holders of Rec.	Name of Company	Per Share	When Payable	Holders of Rec.	
Lock Joint Pipe Co.	\$1	1-31	1-21	Northern RR. (N. H.) (quar.)	\$1 1/2	1-31	1-15	St. Louis County Water Co., \$6 pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/2	2- 2	1-20	
Loew's Boston Theatres (quar.)	15c	1-31	1-24	Northwest Engineering Co. (irreg.)	.50c	2- 2	1-15	St. Louis Screw & Bolt, common (irreg.)	.25c	2- 2	1-26	
Extra	15c	1-31	1-24	Noyes (Chas. F.) Co., 6% preferred (quar.)	.50c	2- 2	12-31	7% preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	2- 2	1-26	
Loew's, Inc., \$6.50 preferred (final)	\$1 1/2	2- 15	---	Nu-Enamel Corp.	22 1/2c	2- 2	1-28	Schumacher Wall Board Corp., com. (resumed)	.25c	2- 18	2- 5	
Loose-Wile Biscuit Co.	25c	2- 1	1-29*	Occidental Insurance Co. (quar.)	.30c	2- 16	2- 5	Scott Paper Co., \$4.50 pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/8	2- 1	1-20*	
Lord & Taylor, 6 1/2% first preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/2	3- 2	1-17	O'Connor, Moffat & Co., \$1.50 class AA	.37 1/2c	2- 16	1-28	Seaboard Oil Co. (Del.) (quar.)	.25c	3-14	3- 2	
8% second preferred	\$2	2- 2	1-22	Ohio Casualty Insurance Co. (s-a)	.35c	2- 1	1-21	Security First National Bank (L. A.) (quar.)	.65c	2- 1	1-22	
Louisiana Power & Light Co., \$6 pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/2	2- 2	1-16	Ohio Public Service, 5% pref. (monthly)	.41 1/2c	2- 2	1-20	Security Insurance Co. (N. H.) (quar.)	.35c	2- 1	1-16	
Louisville & Nashville RR. Co. (irregular)	\$2	2- 28	1-28	60c	2- 2	1-20	Servel, Inc.	.25c	3- 1	2-11		
Lukens Steel Co.	20c	2-14	1-30	6% preferred (monthly)	.60c	2- 2	1-20	Sharp & Dohme, \$3.50 preference A (quar.)	.87 1/2c	2- 2	1-20	
Luzerne County Gas & Electric Corp.	5 1/4% preferred (quar.)	\$1.31 1/4	2- 2	1-15	5 1/2% first preferred (quar.)	.58 1/2c	2- 2	1-20	Shasta Water Co.	.10c	2- 2	12-27
Lyon Metal Prods. Inc.	6% participating preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/2	2- 1	1-16	Oliver Farm Equipment	.50c	2-14	1-30	Shatterproof Glass Corp. (quar.)	.12 1/2c	2- 5	1-26
Magnin (L.) & Co., 6% preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/2	2-14	2- 5	Oliver United Filters, class A (quar.)	.50c	2- 2	1-20	Shawinigan Water & Power (quar.)	.123c	2-25	1-26	
Quarterly	\$1 1/2	5- 5	5- 5	Omaha National Bank (quar.)	\$1 1/2	3- 16	3- 6	Sherwin-Williams Co. of Canada (resumed)	.15c	2- 1	1-15	
Quarterly	\$1 1/2	8-15	8- 5	Oswego Falls Corp. (quar.)	.10c	1-31	1-23	Sierra Pacific Power, common (quar.)	.40c	2- 2	1-21	
Managed Investments, Inc. (quar.)	.50c	2-16	2- 2	Extra	.5c	1-31	1-23	Smith Agricultural Chemical Co., Common (irregular)	.25c	2- 2	1-22	
Mandel Bros., Inc. (irregular)	.50c	1-31	1-27	Oswego & Syracuse RR. (s-a)	\$2 1/2	2-20	2- 6	6% preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/2	2- 2	1-21	
Marathon Paper Mills Co., common	.50c	2-10	1-31	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	.50c	2-15	1-25	Siles Co. (quar.)	.30c	2-10	1-31	
Marine Bancorporation, fully partic. (quar.)	.30c	2- 2	1-20	Pacific Finance Corp. of California	.20c	2- 2	1-15	Simpson's, Ltd., 6 1/2% pref. (accumulated)	\$1 1/2	2- 2	1-23	
Initial stock (quar.)	.30c	2- 2	1-20	6 1/2% preferred (quar.)	.16 1/4c	2- 2	1-15	Sioux City Gas & Electric Co., com. (quar.)	.25c	2-10	1-31	
Marshall Field & Co., common (quar.)	.20c	1-31	1-15	5% preferred (quar.)	.17 1/4c	2- 2	1-15	South Bend Lathe Works (quar.)	.75c	2-28	2-11	
Massachusetts Bonding & Ins. Co. (quar.)	.87 1/2c	2- 5	1-28	5 1/2% preferred (quar.)	.34 3/4c	2-16	1-31	Southeastern Greyhound Lines, Inc., com. (quar.)	.37 1/2c	3- 2	2-20	
Massawippi Valley RR. (s-a)	\$3	2- 2	1- 2	6% preferred (quar.)	.31 1/4c	2-16	1-31	6% non-cum. pref. (quar.)	.30c	3- 2	2-20	
Maytag Co., \$6 first preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/2	2- 2	1-16	Pacific Gas & Electric, 6% pref. (quar.)	.37 1/2c	2-16	1-31	6% conv. pref. (quar.)	.30c	3- 2	2-20	
McCall Corporation (quar.)	.75c	2- 2	1-16	Peoples National Bank (quar.)	.10c	1-31	1-23	Southern California Edison, com. (quar.)	.37 1/2c	2-15	1-20	
McCrary Stores, 5% preferred (quar.)	.35c	2- 2	1-15	Peninsular Grinding Wheel (irregular)	.10c	2-15	1-26	Extra	.25c	4-15	3-20	
McGraw Electric Co. (quar.)	.50c	2- 2	1-19	Peninsular Telephone, pref. A (quar.)	.35c	2-15	2- 5	Original preferred (extra)	.20c	2-16	1-31	
McIntyre Porcupine Mines, Ltd. (quar.)	.55 1/2c	3- 2	2- 2	Penn's, Ltd., common (quar.)	.17 5/8c	2- 2	1-20	Southern Canada Power Co., Ltd., common (quar.)	.120c	2-16	1-31	
McLellan Stores Co.	.40c	1-31	1-24	6% prior preferred (quar.)	.17 5/8c	2- 2	1-20	Southern Indiana Gas & Electric Co., 4.8% preferred (quar.)	.120c	2- 1	1-15	
6% preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/2	1-31	1-24	Pacific Public Service Co., \$1.30 pref. (quar.)	.32 1/2c	2- 2	1-20	Sovereign Investors, Inc. (quar.)	.10c	2-20	1-31	
Melchers Distilleries, Ltd.	6% participating preferred (accum.)	.130c	2-16	Parke, Davis & Co.	.40c	1-31	1-15	Spiegel, Inc., common (quar.)	.15c	1-31	1-17	
Melville Shoe Corp., common (quar.)	.50c	2- 2	1-16	Passaic & Delaware RR. Co., gtd. (s-a)	.17 1/4c	2- 2	1-23	\$4.50 convertible preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/2	3-14	3- 2	
5% preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	2- 2	1-16	Pearson Co., Inc., 5% preferred A (quar.)	.31 1/4c	2- 1	1-20	Squibb (E. R.) & Sons	\$1 1/4	2- 2	1-15	
Mercantile National Bank & Trust Co. (St. Louis), common (quar.)	\$1 1/2	4- 1	3-20	Peninsular Grinding Wheel (irregular)	.10c	2-15	1-26	5\$ preferred, series A (quar.)	\$1 1/4	3-16	2-20	
Mercantile Stores, 7% preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	2-15	1-31	Peninsular Telephone, pref. A (quar.)	.35c	2-15	2- 5	Standard Brands, \$4.50 pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/4	3-16	2-20	
Merchants & Manufacturers Insurance Co. (N. Y.), (s-a)	.20c	2- 2	1-20	Penn's, Ltd., common (quar.)	.17 5/8c	2- 2	1-21	Standard Chemical Co., Ltd. (irreg.)	.150c	1-31	12-31	
Michigan Bakeries, Inc.	7\$ preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	2- 1	1- 3	Philadelphia Electric Co. (quar.)	.35c	2- 2	1- 9	Standard Equities Corp.	.10c	2- 2	1-16
\$1 non-cumulative prior preferred (quar.)	.25c	2- 1	1- 3	5\$ preferred (quar.)	.17 1/4c	2- 2	1-21	Standard Silica Corp., common	.20c	2-14	2- 5	
Michigan Central RR. (s-a)	.25	1-31	1-21	Philadelphia Insulated Wire (s-a increased)	.50c	2-16	2- 2	Common	.20c	5-15	5- 5	
Michigan Gas & Electric Co., 7% prior lien	.66 prior lien	.18 1/2c	2- 2	1-15	Phillips-Jones Corp., 7% preferred	.17 1/4c	2- 2	1-20	Standard Wholesale Phos. & Acid Wks., Inc., Quarterly	.47c	3-14	3- 5
Michigan Public Service Co., com. (quar.)	.25c	3- 2	2-14	Phillips Pump & Tank Co., class B	.21 1/2c	3- 1	2-15	Stanley Works, 5% pref. (quar.)	.31 1/4c	2-16	2- 2	
6% preferred (quar.)	.18 1/2c	4- 1	3-14	Class A (participating)	.21 1/2c	3- 1	2-15	Steel Co. of Canada, Ltd., com. (quar.)	.175c	2- 2	1- 7	
6% preferred series of 1940 (quar.)	.18 1/2c	4- 1	3-14	Pick (Albert) Co., com. (irreg.)	.20c	1-31	12-29	Stein (A.) & Co.	.25c	2- 2	2- 2	
\$8 junior preferred (quar.)	.18 1/2c	4- 1	3-14	Pilot Full Fashion Mills, \$1/2% pref. (s-a)	.65c	4- 1	3-16	Sterling, Inc., \$1.50 convertible pref. (quar.)	.37 1/2c	2- 2	1-23	
Midwest Rubber Reclaiming (irregular)	.50c	2- 2	1-21	Pittsburgh, Bessemer & Lake Erie RR. Co.	.75c	4- 1	3-14	Stouffer Corp., class B	.25c	1-31	1-24	
Mickelberry's Food Products Co.	Additional	\$1	4- 1	3-21	Semi-annual	.75c	4- 1	3-14	Strawbridge & Clothier	\$1 1/2	3- 1	2-14
Mid-City National Bank of Chicago	\$1	4- 1	3-21	Plumb Tool Co., common	.15c	2-15	6% prior preference (quar.)	\$1 1/2	3- 1	2-14		
Milwaukee Terminal (year-end)	.75c	Jan.	12-31	Common	.15c	5-15	Suburban Electric Securities Co.	\$1 1/2	2- 2	1-24		
Mine Hill & Schuylkill Haven RR.	Semi-annual	\$1	2- 2	1-15	Common	.15c	7-15	\$4 second preferred	.15c	3-16	2-25	
Minneapolis Moline Plow Implement Co.	\$1 1/2	2- 1	1- 3	Portland Gas & Coke Co., 7% preferred	.18 1/2c	2- 2	1-20	Sun Oil Co. (quar.)	.11 1/2c	2- 2	1-10	
\$6.50 convertible preferred	.18 1/2c	2- 16	2- 3	6% preferred	.18 1/2c	2- 2	1-20	Sunset Oils, Ltd.	.30c	4- 1	3- 2	
Mississippi Power & Light, \$6 preferred	.18 1/2c	2- 1	1-15	Portland RR. Co. (Maine), 5% gtd. (s-a)	.21 1/2c	2- 2	1-17	Swift & Co. (quar.)	.11 1/2c	3-16	3- 5	
Missouri Utilities, 5% preferred (quar.)	.18 1/2c	2- 1	1-15	Potomac Edison, 6% preferred (quar.)	.18 1/2c	2- 2	1-12	Syracuse Binghamton & N. Y. RR. Co., Guaranteed (quar.)	.30c	4- 1	3- 2	
Common (initial quar.)	.18 1/2c	2- 1	1-15	Potomac Electric Power 5 1/2% pref. (quar.)	.18 1/2c	2- 2	1-12	Tacony-Palmyra Bridge, 5% preferred (quar.)	.30c	2- 2	1-23	
Moline Pressed Steel, partic. A (quar. initial)	.24 1/2c	2- 1	1-15	Power Corp. of Canada, com. (interim)	.18 1/2c	2- 2	1-12	Tech Coatings, class A (stock dividend)	.11 1/2c	2- 1	12-17	
Monroe Loan Society, class A (quar.)	.50c	2- 2	1-15	Privateer Mines, Ltd. (quar.)	.18 1/2c	2- 2	1-21	Teck-Hughes Gold Mines, Ltd. (quar.)	.110c	2- 2	1- 9	
5 1/2% preferred (quar.)	.50c	2- 2	1-15	Extra	.18 1/2c	2- 2	1-21	Texas Power & Light Co., 7% pref. (quar.)	.114c	2- 2	1-20	
Monsanto Chemical Co., common (quar.)	.50c	3- 2	2-20	Procter & Gamble Co. (quar.)	.18 1/2c	2- 2	1-21	Thatcher Manufacturing, \$3.60 pref. (quar.)	.90c	2-15	1-31	
\$4.50 preferred A (s-a)	.24 1/2c	2- 1	1-15	Proprietary Mines, Ltd. (irregular)	.18 1/2c	2- 2	1-21	Thompson (R. J.) Co. (resumed)	.15c	2-10	2- 2	
\$4.50 preferred B (s-a)	.24 1/2c	2- 1	1-15	Provident Trust Co. (Phila.), (quar.)	.18 1/2c	2- 2	1-21	Tobacco Securities Trust Co., Ltd., Ordinary registered (final)	.11 1/2c	3- 6	---	
4 1/2% preferred C (s-a)	.24 1/2c	2- 1	1-15	Prudential Investors, Inc. (liquidating)	.18 1/2c	2- 2	1-26	Toberon Gold Mines, Ltd. (quar.)	.13c	2-23	1-22	
Montana Power, \$6 preferred (quar.)	.18 1/2c	2- 1	1-12	Public Service Co. of Colorado	.18 1/2c	2- 2	1-20	Trade Bank & Trust Co. (N. Y.) (quar.)	.15c	2- 2	1-20	
Montreal Light, Heat & Pow. consol. (quar.)	.18 1/2c	1-31	12-31	7% preferred (monthly)	.18 1/2c	2- 2	1-20	Trane Co., com. (quar.)	.25c	2-16	2- 2	
Moody's Investors Service, Inc.	3\$ participating preference (quar.)	.75c	2- 1	1-22	8% preferred (monthly)	.18 1/2c	2- 2	1-20	Transamerica Corp. (s-a)	.25c	1	

Name of Company	Per Share	When Payable	Holders of Rec.
West Penn Electric Co., 6% pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/2	2-16	1-19
7% preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/2	2-16	1-19
West Point Manufacturing Co. (quar.)	90c	2-2	1-21
West Virginia Pulp & Paper, 6% pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/2	2-16	2-2
Westchester Fire Insurance Co. (quar.)	30c	2-2	1-21
Extra	10c	2-2	1-21
Western Grocer Co. (Iowa), common	30c	3-1	2-14
Western Public Service Co., \$1.50 pref. A	.254c	2-2	1-2
Weston (George), Ltd., 5% pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/4	2-2	1-15
Westgate-Greenland Oil Co. (monthly)	1c	2-16	2-10
Westvaco Chlorine Products Corp., common	35c	3-5	2-16
\$4.50 preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/2	2-2	1-15
Weymouth Light & Power Co.	75c	1-31	1-15
Wheeling & Lake Erie Ry.	\$1	2-1	1-26
4% prior lien (quar.)	\$1 1/2	2-1	1-25
5 1/2% convertible preferred (quar.)	\$1	4-1	3-16
Whitaker Paper Co., common (quar.)	\$1 1/4	4-1	3-16
7% preferred (quar.)	30c	2-14	1-30
White (S. S.) Dental Manufacturing	10c	2-16	2-10
Will & Baumer Candle Co.	\$1 1/2	2-2	1-16
Wilson & Co., Inc., ss preferred	\$2 1/2	2-14	1-31
Wilson Line, Inc., 5% 1st preferred (8-a)	\$1 1/8 1/4	1-31	1-15
Wisconsin Electric Power, 4% pfd. (quar.)	\$1 1/2	1-31	1-15
Wisconsin National Life Insurance Co. (8-a)	30c	2-2	1-22
Extra	20c	2-2	1-22
Wisconsin Public Service, 5% pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/4	2-2	1-15
Wood, Alexander & James, 7% 1st preferred	\$1 1/4	2-1	1-15
Woolworth (F. W.) Co.	40c	3-2	2-10
Wrigley (Wm.), Jr., & Co. (Del.)	25c	2-2	1-20
Monthly	25c	3-2	2-20
Monthly	25c	4-1	3-20
Wurlitzer (Rudolph) Co., common (irreg.)	10c	2-28	2-18
7% preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	4-1	3-20
Yuba Consolidated Gold Fields (irregular)	20c	2-2	1-14
Zeller's, Ltd., common (quar.)	120c	1-31	1-15
6% preferred (quar.)	\$37 1/2c	1-31	1-15

\*Transfer books not closed for this dividend.

\*On account of accumulated dividends.  
\*Payable in Canadian funds, tax deductible at the source. Non-resident tax, effective April 30, 1941 increased from 5% to 15%. Resident tax remains at 2%. \*Less British income tax.

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

Financial statistics of railroad operations in the United States for the month of November, 1941, reflect an interim period during which the carriers already were meeting the higher wage costs granted to railroad labor last year, while the question of comparable advances in freight and passenger rates still was pending. That this situation is not likely to be permanent was indicated by the action of the Interstate Commerce Commission on Jan. 21, 1942, when the petition of the railroads for an advance of 10% in passenger fare charges was granted. Although the fare action is not necessarily indicative for freight matters, it is at least a fair presumption that the pervasive circumstances which moved the I. C. C. to permit the increase of passenger charges will also prevail in the freight rate advance petition. In granting the fare increase the regulatory agency found the railroads in need of additional revenue to meet, in part, increased operating expenses occasioned by increased wages, increased costs of materials and supplies, and heavier charges for safeguarding properties and operations in the course of the war emergency. The railroad petition for advanced freight charges will be the subject of a further and more extensive ruling by the Commission. Estimates of the Association of American Railroads are that some \$45,000,000 of added revenues will be realized by the carriers annually from the passenger fare increase.

Although the action taken by the Commission is quite in accord with the recommendations of the Presidential "Fact-Finding" board, and possibly will be followed by similar measures on freight charges, operations of the railroads last November naturally were unaffected by these considerations. Business handled by the carriers in that month was on a fairly heavy scale, and a substantial gain was established in gross revenues over the similar month of 1940. But wage increases absorbed virtually all of the added gross revenues and left the railroads with little in the way of increased earnings to apply to other and pressing needs. Gross earnings in November, 1941, totaled \$457,016,549, against \$347,763,846 in November, 1940, a gain of \$82,252,703 or 21.95%. Net earnings however, advanced only to \$121,465,161 in November, 1941, from \$115,940,536 in the similar month of 1940, a gain of \$5,524,625 or 4.77%. We present these figures below in tabular form:

Month of November	1941	1940	Inc. (+) or Dec. (-)
Mileage of 132 roads	231,980	232,660	-680 - .29%
Gross earnings	\$457,016,549	\$347,763,846	+\$82,252,703 + 21.95%
Oper. expenses	335,551,388	258,823,310	+76,728,078 + 29.64%
Ratio of expenses to earnings	(73.42)	(69.06)	

Net earnings \$121,465,161 \$115,940,536 + \$5,524,625 + 4.77%

Before considering the general trends which are shaping the transportation requirements in our war economy, it is well to note that the many heavy problems are receiving careful study in official circles, as well as in railroad offices. To a certain degree it is a matter of satisfaction to find that the coordination of transportation already is being advanced through the new agency of the Office of Defense Transportation, headed by Joseph B. Eastman, Chairman of the I. C. C. In a statement issued by Mr. Eastman on Jan. 16, he indicated that Government operation of the carriers probably will not be attempted, unless there is compelling need for such action. "Neither the military authorities nor the private shippers of the country need fear that there will be any attempt to change existing methods," said Mr. Eastman, "unless plain need is found to exist, nor, in that event, without taking counsel of those immediately concerned." This reassuring statement is appropriate for the trying times that now impend.

We turn now to the general business considerations which underline the course of railroad earnings for last November. In order to indicate in a simplified form the

measure of trade activity in relation to its bearing on the revenues of the railroads during the month under review, we have brought together in the subjoined table the figure indicative of activity in the more important industries, together with those pertaining to grain, cotton and livestock receipts and revenue freight car loadings for the month of November, 1941, as compared with the corresponding month in 1940, 1939, 1932 and 1929. The various production and construction figures, with the exception of automobile production, were all higher than in the corresponding month of 1940. The automobile companies were obliged to curtail their operations in consideration of the important need of cutting down the civilian use of materials required for the defense program. There was a marked increase in the movement of grains last month and cotton also moved in greater volume; livestock receipts, however, were smaller than in the same month of 1940.

November	1941	1940	1939	1932	1929
Automobile (units):					
Production (passenger cars, trucks, etc.)	352,347	487,352	351,785	59,557	217,573
Building (\$000):					
Constr. contracts awarded b	458,620	380,347	299,847	105,302	391,013
Coal (net tons):					
Bituminous c	42,865,000	40,012,000	43,301,000	30,632,000	46,514,000
Pa. anthracite d	3,832,000	3,980,000	3,989,000	4,271,000	5,820,000
Freight Traffic:					
Car loadings, all (cars) e	24,317,738	23,780,423	23,708,292	22,737,025	24,891,835
Cotton receipts, Southern ports (bales) f	480,358	459,430	892,122	1,665,269	1,389,118
Livestock rcts. g	7,128	8,139	8,245	12,776	19,105
Chicago (cars)	2,544	2,977	3,765	4,503	8,034
Kan. City (cars)	2,593	2,619	2,482	3,485	6,168
Omaha (cars)					
Western flour & grain rcts. h					
Flour (000 bbls.)	x1,634	x1,666	x1,620	x1,502	x1,818
Wheat (000 bu.)	x18,348	x9,274	x12,136	x16,692	x18,499
Corn (000 bu.)	x23,834	x17,982	x25,813	x11,395	x17,401
Oats (000 bu.)	x7,164	x3,743	x5,828	x2,797	x6,381
Barley (000 bu.)	x13,553	x7,272	x7,453	x3,150	x3,027
Rye (000 bu.)	x2,213	x1,136	x1,410	x403	x1,498
Iron & Steel (net tons)					
Pig iron produc. f	4,702,927	4,403,230	4,166,888	707,034	3,563,180
Steel ingot produc. f	6,969,987	6,469,107	6,292,322	1,171,710	4,002,365
Lumber (000 ft.):					
Production m	x928,564	x911,151	x914,443	x529,618	x1,382,103
Shipments m	x916,713	x1,025,474	x892,974	x618,771	x1,157,509
Orders rec'd m	x861,110	x1,000,119	x733,126	x591,323	x1,072,634

Note—Figures in above table issued by:  
a United States Bureau of the Census. b F. W. Dodge Corp. (figures for 37 States east of Rocky Mountains). c National Bituminous Coal Commission. d United States Bureau of Mines. e Association of American Railroads. f Compiled from private telegraphic reports. g Reported by major stockyard companies in each city. h New York Produce Exchange. k "Iron Age." l American Iron and Steel Institute. m National Lumber Manufacturers Association. n Number of reporting mills varies in the different years. x Four weeks. z Five weeks.

In all that has been said above we have been dealing with the railroads of the country as a whole. Turning our attention now to the separate roads and systems, we find the exhibits in consonance with the general totals. Gross receipts of most of the roads in our compilation showed gains over a year ago of \$100,000 or more but only 31 of the roads were able to show such gains in the net results and 19 reported decreases in net from a year previous. In October 47 roads registered increases in net and 19, decreases. The Pennsylvania, which we are accustomed to find at the head of the list of roads with gross increases, was in its usual place in the gross gains tabulation but reported a decrease in its net earnings as compared with 1940. New York Central, which was second on the gross list, did not record a sufficiently large increase in net to appear on the lists of changes. Southern Pacific, with the third largest gain in gross, showed the greatest decrease, \$1,263,906, in net earnings. In the following table we show all changes for the separate roads and systems for amounts in excess of \$100,000, whether increases or decreases, and in both gross and net:

### PRINCIPAL CHANGES IN GROSS EARNINGS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

Increase		Decrease	
Pennsylvania	\$10,953,128	Central of Georgia	522,411
New York Central	5,573,665	Delaware & Hudson	509,875
So. Pac. (2 rds.)	5,051,227	Central of New Jersey	488,717
Atch. Topeka & S. Fe.	4,079,668	Cin. N. O. & Tex. Pac.	462,226
Union Pacific	4,011,236	Wheeling & Lake Erie	428,249
Baltimore & Ohio	3,936,305	Pitts. & Lake Erie	395,212
Southern	2,693,484	Gulf Mobile & Ohio	377,977
Great Northern	2,410,499	Western Maryland	356,038
Northeastern	2,211,785	Alton	327,299
Missouri Pacific	1,944,566	Rich. Fred. & Potomac	330,841
Northern Pacific	1,861,776	Pere Marquette	317,501
Louisville & Nashville	1,849,766	Alabama Gt. Southern	305,288
Illinois Central	1,798,265	Nash. Chat. & St. L.	288,188
Chi. Mil. St. P. & Pac.	1,634,757	Spok. Port. & Seattle	285,119
Norfolk & Western	1,544,159	Int. Great Northern	271,838
Dul'l Mis. & Iron Rge	1,514,065	Elgin Joliet & Eastern	234,979
Seaboard Air Line	1,398,443	Grand Trunk & West.	229,762
N. Y. N. H. & H.	1,364,241	Clinchfield	229,254
Erie	1,231,497	Chi. & Eastern Illinois	221,038
Chi. Burl. & Quincy	1,230,093	N. Orl. & Northeastern	204,383
Chicago & North West	1,219,629	Maine Central	196,494
Atlantic Coast Line	1,210,684	Georgia	196,373
N. Y. Chi. & St. L.	1,082,499	Chicago St. Paul Minn. & Omaha	178,399
Chi. R. I. & Pac.	991,423	Central Vermont	168,790
St. L. S. Fran. (2 rds.)	908,929	Louisiana & Arkans.	166,027
Lehigh Valley	866,263	Chi. Ind. & Louisville	150,112
Reading	863,961	Bangor & Aroostook	137,801
Texas & Pacific	713,204	Colo. & So. (2 rds.)	135,173
Wabash	683,021	Dul'l S. Shore & Atl.	120,942
Boston & Maine	656,739	Long Island	119,491
St. L. Southwestern	635,179	Pitts. & West Va.	118,421
Denv. & Rio Gr. West.	635,179	Monongahela	107,300
Del. Lack. & Western	635,018	Total (76 roads)	\$81,195,844
Yazoo & Miss. Val.	597,649		
Western Pacific	570,222		
Kans. City Southern	534,400		
N. O. Texas & Mexico	525,538		
(3 roads)	523,835		
Min. St. P. S. Ste. M.	522,767		
		Total (2 roads)	\$308,075

\*These figures cover the operations of the New York Central and the leased lines—Cleveland Cincinnati Chicago & St. Louis, Michigan Central, Cincinnati Northern and Evansville Indianapolis & Terre Haute, Including Pittsburgh & Lake Erie, the result is an increase of \$5,969,877.

### PRINCIPAL CHANGES IN NET EARNINGS FOR THE MONTH OF

## WESTERN FLOUR AND GRAIN RECEIPTS

Four Weeks Ended Nov. 29							Month of November							Net Earnings		
(000 Omitted)	Year	Flour (bbis.)	Wheat (bu.)	Corn (bu.)	Oats (bu.)	Rye (bu.)	Barley (bu.)	1909	Year Given	Preceding	Increase (+) or Decrease (-)	Per Cent				
Chicago	1941	806	1,032	9,010	1,276	592	1,316	1911	\$92,016,358	\$73,266,874	+\$18,749,484	+25.59				
	1940	838	434	7,484	809	334	795	1912	83,290,035	93,778,821	-10,488,886	-11.18				
Minneapolis	1941	—	7,003	2,955	3,303	1,086	7,495	1913	79,050,299	82,069,166	-3,018,867	-3.68				
	1940	—	3,288	1,164	1,396	410	2,733	1914	93,017,842	80,316,771	-12,701,071	+15.81				
Duluth	1941	—	4,500	1,658	852	312	1,559	1915	78,212,966	93,282,860	-15,069,894	-16.15				
	1940	—	2,101	1,437	533	31	1,495	1916	67,989,515	77,567,899	-9,578,383	-12.35				
Milwaukee	1941	86	20	736	6	42	2,306	1917	118,002,025	67,999,131	+50,002,894	+73.53				
	1940	64	9	420	36	274	1,830	1918	118,373,536	118,050,446	+323,090	+0.27				
Toledo	1941	—	870	589	348	—	—	1919	96,272,216	117,102,625	-20,830,409	-17.79				
	1940	—	358	462	199	3	—	1920	75,882,188	95,809,962	-19,927,774	-20.80				
Indianapolis	1941	—	560	3,433	645	11	8	1921	48,130,467	74,979,347	-26,848,880	-35.81				
and Omaha	1940	—	292	2,517	200	14	3	1922	85,778,171	48,244,641	+37,533,530	+77.80				
St. Louis	1941	534	387	1,042	108	51	263	1923	113,662,987	97,816,937	+15,846,050	+24.14				
	1940	521	487	1,161	142	1	114	1924	124,931,318	117,623,537	+7,307,781	+6.21				
Peoria	1941	147	435	2,702	120	103	285	1925	131,435,105	125,084,714	+6,350,391	+5.08				
	1940	152	260	1,739	155	60	229	1926	148,157,616	131,381,847	+16,775,769	+12.77				
Kansas City	1941	61	2,280	998	306	—	—	1927	158,197,446	148,132,228	+10,065,218	+6.79				
	1940	91	1,281	920	124	—	—	1928	125,957,014	158,501,561	-32,544,547	-20.53				
St. Joseph	1941	—	141	194	151	—	—	1929	157,140,516	127,243,825	+29,896,691	+23.49				
	1940	—	45	351	124	—	—	1930	127,163,307	157,192,289	-30,028,982	-19.10				
Wichita	1941	—	1,060	—	—	—	—	1931	99,528,934	127,125,694	-27,596,760	-21.70				
	1940	—	674	15	—	4	—	1932	66,850,734	99,557,310	-32,706,576	-32.85				
Sioux City	1941	—	60	517	49	16	321	1933	63,966,101	66,854,615	-2,888,514	+4.32				
	1940	—	45	312	25	9	64	1934	66,866,614	63,962,092	+2,904,522	+4.54				
Total all	1941	1,634	18,348	23,834	7,164	2,213	13,553	1935	59,167,473	65,899,592	-6,732,119	-10.22				
	1940	1,666	9,274	17,982	3,743	1,136	7,272	1936	82,747,438	60,661,636	+22,685,802	+37.77				
WESTERN FLOUR AND GRAIN RECEIPTS	11 Months Ended Nov. 29	—	—	—	—	—	—	1937	110,226,942	82,690,190	+27,536,752	+33.30				
	1941	—	—	—	—	—	—	1938	68,915,594	110,214,702	+41,299,108	+37.47				
	1940	—	—	—	—	—	—	1939	88,374,131	68,915,594	+19,458,537	+28.23				
	1941	—	—	—	—	—	—	1940	111,986,638	88,374,743	+23,610,895	+26.71				
	1940	—	—	—	—	—	—	1941	121,465,161	115,940,538	+5,524,625	+4.77				

## Member Bank Condition Statement

In the following will be found the comments of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System respecting the returns of the entire body of reporting member banks of the Federal Reserve System for the week ended with the close of business Jan. 21.

The condition statement of weekly reporting member banks in 101 leading cities shows the following principal changes for the week ended Jan. 21: Increase of \$383,000,000 in holdings of United States Government bonds and \$100,000,000 in Treasury bills, partly offset by decreases of \$134,000,000 in holdings of Treasury notes and \$269,000,000 in obligations guaranteed by the United States Government; and increases of \$222,000,000 in reserve balances with Federal Reserve Banks and \$257,000,000 in demand deposits-adjusted.

Commercial, industrial and agricultural loans declined \$7,000,000 at all reporting member banks. Loans to brokers and dealers in securities declined \$53,000,000 in New York City and \$74,000,000 at all reporting member banks.

Holdings of United States Government direct and guaranteed obligations increased \$60,000,000 in the Chicago district and \$80,000,000 at all reporting member banks.

A summary of the principal assets and liabilities of reporting member banks together with changes for the week and the year ended Jan. 21, 1942, follows:

Assets—	Increase (+) or Decrease (-)		
	Jan. 21, 1942	Jan. 14, 1942	Jan. 22, 1941
Loans and Investments	\$ 30,211,000,000	— 22,000,000	+ 4,527,000,000
total	30,211,000,000	— 22,000,000	+ 4,527,000,000
Commercial, Industrial and agricultural loans	11,199,000,000	— 109,000,000	+ 1,912,000,000
Open market paper	6,721,000,000	— 7,000,000	+ 1,666,000,000
Loans to brokers and dealers in securities	427,000,000	+ 1,000,000	+ 115,000,000
Other loans for purchasing or carrying securities	406,000,000	— 1,000,000	+ 52,000,000
Real estate loans	1,248,000,000	— 4,000,000	+ 21,000,000
Loans to banks	36,000,000	— 12,000,000	+ 1,000,000
Other loans	917,000,000	— 12,000,000	+ 182,000,000
Treasury bills	1,147,000,000	+ 100,000,000	+ 421,000,000
Treasury notes	2,396,000,000	+ 134,000,000	+ 208,000,000
U. S. bonds	9,087,000,000	+ 383,000,000	+ 2,024,000,000
Obligations guaranteed by U. S. Gov't	2,709,000,000	— 269,000,000	+ 34,000,000
Other securities	3,673,000,000	+ 7,000,000	+ 4,000,000
Reserve with Federal Reserve banks	10,507,000,000	+ 222,000,000	+ 1,664,000,000
Cash in vault	539,000,000	+ 32,000,000	+ 15,000,000
Balances with domestic banks	3,366,000,000	+ 2,000,000	+ 54,000,000
Liabilities—			
Demand deposits—adjusted	24,426,000,000	+ 257,000,000	+ 1,528,000,000
Time deposits	5,254,000,000	— 27,000,000	+ 173,000,000
U. S. Gov't deposits	1,567,000,000	— 33,000,000	+ 1,283,000,000
Interbank deposits:			
Domestic banks	9,236,000,000	— 38,000,000	+ 50,000,000
Foreign banks	642,000,000	— 4,000,000	+ 2,000,000
Borrowings	1,000,000	—	1,000,000

Assets—	\$ 12,192	\$ 12,161	\$ 10,394	\$ 2,917	\$ 2,877	\$ 2,492
Loans and invest.—total	3,755	3,725	3,054	939	935	695
Commercial, Indust. and agricultural loans	2,629	2,599	1,943	725	720	488
Open market paper	79	80	91	17	19	22
Loans to brok. & dealers	310	307	321	42	41	36
Other loans for pur. or carrying securities	146	145	168	50	50	55
Real estate loans	102	102	113	24	24	20
Loans to banks	33	32	24	—	—	—
Other loans	456	460	394	81	81	74
Treasury bills	468	414	175	430	396	396
Treasury notes	1,468	1,498	1,263	141	143	148
United States bonds	3,569	3,600	2,934	926	824	760
Obligations guar. by the U. S. Government	1,461	1,460	1,577	107	105	115
Other securities	1,471	1,464	1,391	374	374	378
Res. with Fed. Res. banks	5,106	5,118	6,734	1,070	1,089	1,080
Cash in vault	79	76	87	41	41	42
Balances with dom. banks	92	90	88	278	287	281
Other assets—net	299	298	346	40	39	42
Liabilities—						
Demand deposits—adjusted	10,500	10,361	10,632	2,290	2,261	2,058
Time deposits	734	730	735	467	469	510
U. S. Government deposits	728	819	14	202	201	54

## Non-Ferrous Metals—Copper And Zinc Control Divided—Quicksilver Consumption Curbed

"Metal and Mineral Markets" in its issue of Jan. 29 reported that the War Production Board moved during the last week to establish separate heads for direction of two important raw materials—copper and zinc. Conservation orders were issued for quicksilver, aluminum, and tin cans. Producers of copper, lead and zinc are awaiting word on official quotas that will entitle those who can exceed the standards to an extra-quota price. Just how the Government intends to handle what appears to be a complicated two-price system is a matter of great interest to all concerned. There were no important price revisions during the last week. The publication further reported:

### Copper

H. W. Dodge, Vice-President of the Texas Corp., has been named temporary head of the Copper Branch of the War Production Board.

Sales of copper by producers for domestic account totaled 10,171 tons for the week ended Jan. 27, which brings the total for the month so far to 74,806 tons. The price situation for both domestic and export copper underwent no change.

A nation-wide, plant-by-plant survey of some 90 primary fabricators of copper has been ordered by the War Production Board. The inspection, the third to be conducted in the metals field, will be carried on by a force of attorney-examiners from the Federal Trade Commission. These experienced industrial investigators have received special training from the copper and zinc branch of WPB and the compliance section. They will confer with company officials and make comprehensive studies of receipts of copper and copper scrap, and of deliveries and inventories, to determine whether the fabricators have been operating in compliance with priorities orders.

### Lead

From present indications, the quantity of lead that producers will have to set aside for the pool for February will remain at 15% of production. At the meeting held in Washington recently, it again developed that consumers' demands for lead have not diminished, notwithstanding the conservation program now in force on many lead products. However, the industry feels that between 70,000 and 75,000 tons of lead will be available for distribution during February.

The price situation is not expected to change for some time. Quotations continued at 6.50c., New York, which was also the contract settling basis of the American Smelting & Refining Co., and at 6.35c., St. Louis.

Sales of lead for the week totaled 2,158 tons, which compares with 5,902 tons in the week previous.

### Zinc

The emergency pool for February will be raised sharply so far as High Grade zinc is concerned and perhaps moderately in respect to Prime Western, the industry believes. Under the new set-up in Washington, a separate zinc branch will be formed, because of the growing demands for the metal under the enlarged defense program. Full allocation of zinc by the Government is thought likely after the present arrangement expires on March 31.

Sales by the Prime Western division for the week ended Jan. 24 totaled 17,104 tons, with shipments in the same period of 5,861 tons. The backlog increased to 104,450 tons. Prime Western zinc continued at 8 1/4c., St. Louis.

### Tin

As part of a plan to restrict the use of tin in cans, WPB has asked can manufacturers to curtail deliveries to producers of baking powder, beer, biscuits, candy and confectionery, cereals and flour, chocolate and cocoa, coffee, dog food, petroleum products, spices, condiments, and tobacco. Efforts are being made to increase imports of tin from Nigeria and the Belgian Congo. The market situation in tin was unchanged last week.

Straits tin for future arrival was as follows:

	Jan.	Feb.	March	April
Jan. 22	52,000	52,000	52,000	52,000
Jan. 23	52,000	52,000	52,000	52,000
Jan. 24	52,000	52,000	52,000	52,000
Jan. 26	52,000	52,000	52,000	52,000
Jan. 27	52,000	52,000	52,000	52,000
Jan. 28	52,000	52,000	52,000	52,000

DAILY PRICES OF METALS ("E. & M. J." QUOTATIONS)									
Jan.	Electrolytic Copper		Straits Tin		Lead		Zinc		St. Louis
	Dom.	Ref.	Exp. Ref.	New York	New York	St. Louis	St. Louis	St. Louis	
22	11.775	11.700	52,000	6.50	6.35	8.25			
23	11.775	11.700	52,000	6.50	6.35	8.25			
24	11.775	11.700	52,000	6.50	6.35	8.25			
26	11.775	11.700	52,000	6.50	6.35	8.25			
27	11.775	11.700	52,000	6.50	6.35	8.25			
28	11.775	11.700	52,000	6.50	6.35	8.25			
Average	11.775	11.700	52,000	6.50	6.35	8.25			

Average prices for calendar week ended Jan. 24 are: Domestic copper f.o.b. refinery, 11.775c.; export copper, f.o.b. refinery, 11.700c.; Straits tin, 52,000c.; New York lead, 6.500c.; St. Louis lead, 6.350c.; St. Louis zinc, 8.250c.; and silver, 35.125c.

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

Copper, lead and zinc quotations are based on sales for both prompt and future deliveries; tin quotations are for prompt delivery only.

In the trade, domestic copper prices are quoted on a delivered basis; that is, delivered at consumers' plants. As delivery charges vary with the destination, the figures shown above are net prices at refineries on the Atlantic seaboard. Delivered prices in New England average 0.225c. per pound above the refinery basis.

Export quotations for copper are reduced to net at refineries on the Atlantic seaboard. On foreign business, owing to the European War, most sellers are restricting offerings to f.a.s. transactions, dollar basis. Quotations for the present reflect this change in method of doing business. A total of .05c. is deducted from f.a.s. basis (lighterage, etc.) to arrive at the f.o.b. refinery quotation.

Chinese tin, 99%, spot, was nominally as follows: Jan. 22, 51.125c.; 23, 51.125c.; 24, 51.125c.; 26, 51.125c.; 27, 51.125c.; 28, 51.125c.

London Market—Jan. 22 to Jan. 28, inclusive, no quotations. Last quotation on Dec. 8, per long ton, was £259 for spot and £262 for three months.

### Quicksilver

Conservation Order M-78 was issued in Washington on Jan. 26 to curb consumption of quicksilver on items in List "A" as of Jan. 15, and after March 31 to stop use of the metal for such purposes entirely. List "A" follows: Carrotting of hat fur; marine anti-fouling paint; thermometers (except industrial and scientific); treating green lumber (except Sitka spruce); turf fungicide; vermillion; wall switches for non-industrial use; and wood preservatives. Under the Order, consumption of quicksilver in production of health supplies, industrial and scientific thermometers, fluorescent lamps, and fulminate for ammunition is to be maintained at not more than 100% of the rate established during the first quarter of either 1940 or 1941, at option of manufacturer; use in fulminate for blasting caps may be increased to 125% of the rate just named.

The price situation here was unchanged during the last week, quotations ranging from \$202.50 to \$208 per flask.

Correction—In the issue of Jan. 15, the market report showed a New York basis of \$200.50 per flask. This should have read \$202.50.

### Silver

During the past week the silver market in London has been quiet and the price continued at 23 1/2d. The New York Official and the U. S. Treasury prices are also unchanged at 35 1/8c. and 35c., respectively.

DAILY PRICES OF METALS ("E. & M. J." QUOTATIONS)									
Jan.	Electrolytic Copper		Straits Tin		Lead		Zinc		St. Louis
	Dom.	Ref.	Exp. Ref.	New York	New York	St. Louis	St. Louis	St. Louis	
22	11.775	11.700	52,000	6.50	6.35	8.25			
23	11.775	11.700	52,000	6.50	6.35	8.25			
24	11.775	11.700	52,000	6.50	6.35	8.25			
26	11.775	11.700	52,000	6.50	6.35	8.25			
27	11.775	11.700	52,000	6.50	6.35	8.25			
28	11.775	11.700	52,000	6.50	6.35	8.25			
Average	11.775	11.700	52,000	6.50	6.35	8.25			

## Daily Average Crude Oil Production For Week Ended Jan. 24, 1942 Increased 265,700 Barrels

The American Petroleum Institute estimates that the daily average crude oil production for the week ended Jan. 24, 1942 was 4,311,360 barrels. This was an increase of 265,700 barrels as compared with the preceding week and was also above the figure of 4,138,400 barrels recommended by the Office of the Petroleum Coordinator for the month of January. Daily average production for the four weeks ended Jan. 24, 1942, is estimated at 4,156,000 barrels. The daily average output for the week ended Jan. 25, 1941, totaled 3,599,100 barrels. Further details as reported by the Institute follow:

Reports received from refining companies owning 86.9% of the 4,680,000 barrel estimated daily potential refining capacity of the United States, indicate that the industry as a whole ran to stills, on a Bureau of Mines' basis, 3,885,000 barrels of crude oil daily during the week ended Jan. 24, 1942, and that all companies had in storage at refineries, bulk terminals, in transit and in pipe lines as of the end of that week, 96,363,000 barrels of finished and unfinished gasoline. The total amount of gasoline produced by all companies is estimated to have been 12,928,000 barrels during the week ended Jan. 24, 1942.

### DAILY AVERAGE CRUDE OIL PRODUCTION (FIGURES IN BARRELS)

	State	Actual Production	4 Weeks	Week
a OPC	Allow-	From	Ended	Ended
Recom-	ables	Jan. 24	Jan. 24	Jan. 25
of Dec. 23	Jan. 1	1942	1942	1941
Oklahoma	415,700	425,000	b409,850	+ 3,400 409,200 396,000
Kansas	259,900	259,900	b254,200	- 650 244,500 199,400
Nebraska	5,600	—	b5,000	— 100 5,200 2,650
Panhandle Texas	—	—	91,100	+ 3,250 89,600 72,450
North Texas	—	—	146,800	+ 1,500 145,700 130,400
West Texas	—	—	343,500	+ 54,000 319,900 223,150
East Central Texas	—	—	93,800	+ 5,650 90,800 83,100
East Texas	—	—	439,800	+ 70,900 404,000 376,950
Southwest Texas	—	—	259,300	+ 40,250 237,750 198,900
Coastal Texas	—	—	346,300	+ 48,250 321,250 247,950
Total Texas	1,573,500	c1,634,043	1,725,600	+ 223,800 1,609,000 1,337,900
North Louisiana	—	—	82,700	+ 900 82,300 69,800
Coastal Louisiana	—	—	283,650	+ 3,950 279,450 219,700
Total Louisiana	329,300	361,111	366,350	+ 4,850 361,750 289,500
Arkansas	73,700	75,689	74,150	+ 800 73,400 70,000
Mississippi	60,400	—	b74,950	+ 2,050 74,100 16,950
Illinoian	386,400	—	b366,950	+ 27,500 368,950 325,200
Indiana	17,300	—	b16,000	— 5,200 19,950 20,650
Eastern (not incl.	—	—	98,250	+ 5,100 94,250 91,500
Ill. & Ind.	95,800	—	—	—
Michigan	47,400	—	48,200	+ 2,400 50,450 40,300
Wyoming	78,600	—	91,600	+ 7,000 85,000 75,500
Montana	21,500	—	20,850	—
Colorado	5,900	—	6,500	+ 1,100 5,700 3,800
New Mexico	121,200	121,200	118,850	+ 50 118,850 100,650
Total East of Calif.	3,492,200	—	3,677,300	+ 267,300 3,541,550 2,988,200
California	646,200	d646,200	634,000	— 1,600 614,450 610,900
Total United States	4,138,400	—	4,311,300	+ 265,700 4,156,000 3,599,100

a These are recommendations of the Office of the Petroleum Coordinator for the month of January.

b Okla., Kans., Neb., Miss., Ind. figures are for week ended 7 a.m. Jan. 21.

c This is the net basic 31-day allowable as of Jan. 1st but experience indicates that it will increase as new wells are completed, and if any upward revisions are made. With a few exceptions the entire state was ordered shut down on Jan. 4, 11, 15, 18, 25, 30 and 31.

## Weekly Statement of Resources and Liabilities of the 12 Federal Reserve Banks at Close of Business Jan. 28, 1942

Three Ciphers (000) Omitted Federal Reserve Agent at—	Total	Boston	New York	Philadelphia	Cleveland	Richmond	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minneapolis	Kansas City	Dallas	San Francisco
<b>ASSETS</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Gold certificates on hand and due from U. S. Treasury	20,522,016	1,191,462	8,230,364	1,163,384	1,650,015	768,650	534,111	3,480,520	628,314	367,145	540,823	381,037	1,586,191
Redemption fund—Fed. Res. notes	12,195	3,914	1,199	579	652	1,488	244	800	566	359	688	520	1,186
Other cash*	371,455	32,493	74,010	28,466	33,730	18,098	26,549	60,630	22,563	6,828	15,974	16,308	35,806
Total reserves	20,905,666	1,227,869	8,305,573	1,192,429	1,684,397	788,236	560,904	3,541,950	651,443	374,332	557,485	397,865	1,623,183
Bills discounted:													
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations, direct and guaranteed	3,088	325	1,495	946	150	20	12	—	—	25	85	30	—
Other bills discounted	857	—	—	70	95	—	—	—	—	58	547	87	—
Total bills discounted	3,945	325	1,495	1,016	245	20	12	—	—	83	632	117	—
Industrial advances	9,024	1,488	1,097	3,614	277	760	519	301	—	514	85	247	122
U. S. Govt. securities, direct and guaranteed:													
Bonds	1,550,155	114,064	427,857	122,391	153,313	92,705	65,939	188,649	73,232	46,804	70,866	60,405	133,930
Notes	692,500	50,956	191,137	54,677	68,490	41,415	29,456	84,276	32,714	20,907	31,656	26,986	59,830
Total U. S. Govt. securities, direct and guaranteed	2,242,655	165,020	618,994	177,068	221,803	134,120	95,395	272,925	105,946	67,711	102,522	87,391	193,760
Total bills and securities	2,255,624	166,833	621,586	181,698	222,325	134,900	95,926	273,226	105,946	68,308	103,239	87,755	193,882
Due from foreign banks	47	3	18	5	4	2	2	6	1	See †	1	1	4
Fed. Res. notes of other banks	31,903	750	2,512	1,237	2,183	9,908	3,415	2,723	2,477	687	2,013	783	3,215
Uncollected items	994,637	96,277	221,699	78,614	126,094	77,726	40,781	142,368	45,577	23,519	38,768	33,567	69,647
Bank premises	40,759	2,778	10,507	4,855	4,429	3,008	1,945	2,965	2,153	1,338	2,874	1,141	2,766
Other assets	46,192	3,206	12,745	3,598	4,999	2,961	1,886	5,274	2,044	1,403	2,029	1,751	4,296
Total assets	24,274,828	1,497,716	9,174,640	1,462,436	2,044,431	1,016,741	704,859	3,968,512	809,641	469,587	706,409	522,863	1,896,993
<b>LIABILITIES</b>													
F. R. notes in actual circulation	8,230,125	672,727	2,110,131	578,561	784,768	421,724	278,338	1,738,033	323,899	210,486	265,694	133,456	712,303
Deposits:													
Member bank reserve account	13,074,608	636,350	5,912,889	656,226	1,007,697	450,495	326,846	1,904,247	377,561	184,463	344,005	301,427	972,402
U. S. Treasurer—General account	302,149	25,413	49,223	21,377	20,361	18,469	17,353	42,952	13,479	18,778	27,253	21,929	25,562
Foreign	716,060	27,529	282,156	67,845	65,017	31,095	24,735	86,219	21,201	15,548	20,495	20,495	53,725
Other deposits	663,125	22,371	504,829	25,265	17,527	5,797	5,410	3,510	16,587	11,646	1,448	2,356	46,379
Total deposits	14,755,942	711,663	6,749,097	770,713	1,110,602	505,856	374,344	2,036,928	428,828	230,435	393,201	346,207	1,098,068
Deferred availability items	911,721	87,282	185,969	78,558	114,086	72,657	38,275	144,710	44,952	18,862	36,016	31,559	58,815
Other liabilities, incl. accrued divs.	2,852	384	607	182	328	322	169	361	73	119	105	132	70
Total liabilities	23,900,640	1,472,036	9,045,804	1,428,014	2,009,784	1,000,559	691,126	3,920,032	797,752	459,902	695,016	511,354	1,869,261
<b>CAPITAL ACCOUNTS</b>													
Capital paid in	142,902	9,405	52,205	11,852	14,755	5,739	4,925	15,717	4,449	3,021	4,621	4,374	11,839
Surplus (Section 7)	157,502	10,949	56,651	15,171	14,346	5,236	5,725	22,925	4,966	3,152	3,613	3,976	10,792
Surplus (Section 13-b)	26,781	2,874	7,070	4,393	1,007	3,244	713	1,429	530	1,000	1,137	1,263	2,121
Other capital accounts	47,003	2,452	12,910	3,006	4,539	1,963	2,370	8,409	1,944	2,512	2,022	1,896	2,980
Total liabilities and capital accounts	24,274,828	1,497,716	9,174,640	1,462,436	2,044,431	1,016,741	704,859	3,968,512	809,641	469,587	706,409	522,863	1,896,993
Commitments to make industrial advances	14,272	166	389	2,765	1,073	859	1,698	1,874	1,140	25	1,500	—	2,783

\* "Other cash" does not include Federal Reserve notes. † Less than \$500.

## Federal Reserve Note Statement

Three Ciphers (000) Omitted Federal Reserve Bank of—	Total	Boston	New York	Philadelphia	Cleveland	Richmond	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minneapolis	Kansas City	Dallas	San Francisco
<b>Federal Reserve notes:</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Issued to F. R. Bank by F. R. Agent	8,671,848	699,417	2,228,240	603,700	820,217	461,378	304,385	1,782,181	344,896	216,613	276,037	149,201	785,583
Held by Federal Reserve Bank	441,723	26,890	118,109	25,139	35,449	39,854	26,047	44,148	20,997	6,127	10,343	15,745	73,275
In actual circulation	8,230,125	672,727	2,110,131	578,561	784,768	421,724	278,338	1,738,033	323,899	210,486	265,694	133,456	712,303
Collateral held by agent as security for notes issued to bank:													
Gold certificates on hand and due from U. S. Treasury	8,800,500	720,000	2,240,000	615,000	825,000	475,000	310,000	1,800,000	360,000	217,000	280,000	154,500	804,000
Eligible paper	3,497	325	1,495	946	—	—	—	—	—	108	623	—	—
Total collateral	8,803,997	720,325	2,241,495	615,946	825,000	475,000	310,000	1,800,000	360,000	217,000	280,000	154,500	804,000

## Bank of England Statement

BANK OF ENGLAND'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT	Jan. 28, 1942	Jan. 29, 1941	Jan. 31, 1940	Feb. 1, 1938	Feb. 2, 1938
Circulation	742,437,000	599,203,000	527,722,512	471,948,507	476,694,175
Public deps.	9,220,000	32,374,000	39,678,426	12,261,976	11,404,084
Other deps.	202,885,497	160,889,411	142,485,035	145,442,460	147,973,442
Bankers' accounts	145,449,944	107,884,138	98,144,357	108,306,122	111,382,758
Other accounts	57,435,553	53,005,273	44,340,678	37,136,338	36,590,684
Govt. secur.	156,888,000	149,947,838	119,356,164	77,901,164	98,078,165
Other secur.	35,904,149	29,275,854	27,590,895	42,674,228	29,150,177
Discounts & advances	8,245,643	3,817,729	3,064,190	21,314,064	10,478,552
Securities	27,658,506	25,458,125	24,526,705	21,360,164	18,671,625
Res. notes & coin	41,561,000	32,014,000	53,250,213	55,248,313	50,293,452
Coin and bullion	679,651	1,216,754	972,725	127,196,820	326,987,627
Proportion of res. to liab.	17.9%</				

## Course of Sterling Exchange

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The United States Department of Commerce reports that Great Britain is relying for imports on lend-lease shipments to an increasing extent. Exports to British Empire countries from Sept. 1940, to Aug. 1941, were 50% greater than in the preceding year and imports from them increased 20%. While lend-lease shipments to all countries were only \$600,000,000 up to the end of November, lend-lease appropriations voted by the end of 1941 amounted to more than three times the annual value of all merchandise exported to all countries in recent years. Due to the extension of lend-lease aid, Britain was able, according to the analysis of foreign trade policies by the Department of Commerce, to abandon in 1941 the intensive export drive it made the year before in an effort to build up dollar balances to pay for war imports. As a result Britain was enabled to reduce its exports to "the irreducible minimum necessary to supply or obtain materials essential to the war effort," limiting exports to those seriously needed by the receiving countries and basing them in the case of neutrals on the amount of food and war materials available in return. British import requirements have been supplied increasingly from United States sources due to the lend-lease program and the need for conserving shipping space and expediting cargo trips. In the case of British Empire countries likewise, the earlier trend toward exchange control and import licensing dictated by the need to conserve foreign exchange was followed by a shift of emphasis to curtailment of civilian consumption and application of import restrictions so as to utilize shipping space most effectively. These areas are calling for the concentration of buying orders in the hands of government commissions in order to obtain the most equitable apportionment of available foreign metals, machinery, and other essential products from the United States, Britain, and other sources.

Latest London estimates place British war cost to date at £8,700,000,000, an amount £300,000,000 greater than their entire appropriation during the 1914-18 conflict. However, this time the funds raised by borrowing have been obtained at an interest rate of less than 2%. In a recent address before the Wisconsin Bankers Association James H. Clarke, of the American National Bank and Trust Company of Chicago, explained that Britain has been able to finance the war at such low interest because of strict price control and close cooperation by the nation's banks, which have borne the major share of Britain's debt, which is expected to reach £11,250,000,000 by the end of March. The British Government has found short and medium-term securities most satisfactory in attracting investment funds and war savings. Mr. Clarke noted that in addition to savings bonds, defense bonds, and Treasury bills, familiar to United States investors, England uses Treasury deposit receipts, which permit the various clearing and Scottish banks to deposit in units of \$2,000,000, on which they are currently allowed 1½% interest. He stated that the steady decline in bank loans in England, reflecting both the Government's policy of meeting the financial needs of firms engaged on war contracts and curtailment of public commitments, indicates the probable trend of bank loans in this country.

Preliminary figures published by the U. S. Bureau of Mines indicate that 5,858,871 ounces of gold worth \$205,060,485 were mined in the United States and its Territories in 1941, 2% less than the 1940 output of 5,984,163 ounces valued at \$209,445,705. Domestic silver mined in 1941 amounted to 67,052,469 ounces valued at \$47,681,756, 7% less than 1940, when the value was placed at \$51,075,375. The Treasury pays \$35 an ounce for gold and 71.11 cents for domestic silver. Industrial consumption of silver in 1941 amounted to 80,000,000 ounces, almost twice the 1940 record of 41,000,000 ounces. The greatly increased use of silver for both civilian and industrial purposes is attributed by Handy & Harman to several factors. With increased employment and accelerated marriages due to the war, sales of silver articles have been directly stimulated. The metal has proved of great value as a substitute for copper, nickel, zinc, aluminum, and other strategic metals, supplies of which have been cut off by the war. In addition, recent research has disclosed new and revolutionary uses for the metal and its alloys of direct war value in the manufacture of ships, airplanes, tanks, trucks, guns, shells, bombs, torpedoes, and many other articles used by the armed forces, such as photographic film, surgical materials and pharmaceutical products.

In the 26th annual review of the silver market issued on January 26 by Handy & Harman, the bullion dealers point out that the Treasury absorbed all the 69,700,000 ounces of United States silver mined in 1941 at 71.11 cents a fine ounce, and bought 70,200,000 ounces of Canadian and other foreign silver at its day-to-day buying rate of 35c., bringing its total acquisitions during 1941 to 139,900,000 ounces, the smallest annual total under the silver purchase program. The Treasury held a total of 3,280,000,000 ounces of silver on Dec. 31, 1941.

The London price of silver during 1941 ranged between 23 3/16d. for spot and 23 1/2d. for forward silver in January and 23 1/2d. for both spot and forward first reached in March. The New York quotation remained at 34 1/4c. until November 28, when it advanced to 35 1/4c., holding at that level throughout the year. The review points out that on November 19 the Treasury concluded an agreement to purchase a monthly quota of newly mined Mexican silver at its quoted buying rate on the date of purchase, which had remained at 35c. since July 10, 1939. Since United States Treasury purchases were already absorbing more than half the world silver output in 1941, while demand for silver for both civilian and industrial use had expanded under

## Weekly Return of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System

COMBINED RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS JAN. 28, 1942.

Three Ciphers (000)	Jan. 28, 1942	Jan. 29, 1941	Jan. 21, 1942	Jan. 14, 1942	Jan. 7, 1942	Dec. 31, 1941	Dec. 24, 1941	Dec. 17, 1941	Dec. 10, 1941	Dec. 3, 1941
Omitted Assets	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Gold cts. on hand and due from U. S. Treas. <sup>†</sup>	20,522,016	19,896,780	20,523,015	20,488,015	20,490,017	20,490,015	20,515,018	20,516,016	20,551,015	20,553,016
Redemption fund (Fed. Reserve notes)	12,195	9,825	13,437	13,436	13,669	13,668	14,688	14,586	15,352	15,496
Other cash*	371,455	372,754	353,083	337,653	296,423	260,678	213,759	223,766	231,589	236,263
Total reserves -----	20,905,666	20,279,359	20,889,535	20,839,104	20,800,109	20,764,361	20,743,465	20,754,368	20,797,956	20,804,775
Bills discounted:										
Secured by U. S. Govt. oblig., direct and guaranteed	3,088	1,411	2,234	2,518	1,991	1,768	5,104	2,831	1,452	3,147
Other bills discounted	857	1,255	3,969	1,064	2,129	1,187	1,965	2,473	2,608	2,420
Total bills discounted	3,945	2,666	3,203	3,582	4,120	2,955	7,069	5,304	4,060	5,587
Industrial advances -----	9,024	7,871	9,421	9,512	9,619	9,504	9,710	9,711	9,772	9,799
U. S. Govt. sec., direct and guaranteed:										
Bonds -----	1,550,155	1,284,600	1,551,605	1,466,805	1,466,805	1,466,805	1,455,467	1,452,070	1,406,800	1,406,800
Notes -----	692,500	899,500	692,500	777,300	777,300	777,300	777,300	777,300	777,300	777,300
Bills -----			6,000	10,370	10,370	10,370	10,370	10,370	10,370	12,370
Total U. S. Govt. sec., direct & guaranteed	2,242,655	2,184,100	2,250,105	2,254,475	2,254,475	2,254,475	2,243,137	2,239,740	2,196,470	2,184,100
Total bills and sec. -----	2,255,624	2,194,637	2,262,729	2,267,569	2,268,214	2,266,934	2,259,916	2,210,302	2,254,755	2,199,486
Fed. Res. notes of other banks -----	47	47	47	47	47	47	47	47	47	47
U. S. Treas.—General account	31,903	25,740	34,036	37,217	39,414	36,287	32,906	29,475	32,071	31,472
Uncollected items -----	994,637	726,775	1,127,981	1,210,160	998,458	1,200,724	1,218,429	1,449,654	935,521	1,010,166
Bank premises -----	40,759	40,038	40,785	40,792	40,761	40,767	41,143	41,154	41,051	41,009
Other assets -----	46,192	50,529	45,133	45,439	44,035	43,679	42,096	41,150	52,484	49,568
Total assets -----	24,274,828	23,317,125	24,400,246	24,440,328	24,191,038	24,352,799	24,338,002	24,370,603	24,069,432	24,136,503
Liabilities										
Fed. Res. notes in actual circulation -----	8,230,125	5,845,759	8,198,916	8,170,584	8,178,757	8,192,169	8,202,083	8,014,326	7,838,397	7,730,137
Deposits—Member banks' reserve account -----	13,074,608	14,347,011	13,145,468	12,991,582	12,716,754	12,450,333	12,446,867	12,497,269	13,219,388	13,178,056
U. S. Treas.—General account	302,149	258,251	284,180	418,609	663,254	867,493	907,665	925,258	157,141	320,557
Foreign -----	716,060	1,215,590	729,779	754,816	787,364	1,774,062	808,967	852,905	935,053	1,007,931
Other deposits -----	663,125	583,657	656,951	640,156	588,184	1,586,170	613,028	629,780	678,898	601,253
Total deposits -----	14,755,942	16,404,509	14,816,378	14,805,163	14,755,556	14,678,058	14,776,527	14,905,212	14,990,280	15,107,797
Deferred avail. items -----	911,721	693,526	1,007,506	1,087,392	880,244	1,106,929	979,104	1,271,261	860,131	920,637
Other liab., incl. accrued dividends -----	2,852	2,953	3,323	3,179	2,550	2,150	5,838	5,564	7,537	5,016
Total liabilities -----	23,900,640	22,946,717	24,026,123	24,066,318	23,817,107	23,979,306	23,963,552	24,196,363	23,696,345	23,763,607
Capital Accounts										
Capital paid in -----	142,902	139,448	142,872	142,780	142,687	142,180	142,114	142,037	141,305	141,281
Surplus (section 7) -----	157,502	157,065	157,502	157,502	157,502	157,501	157,065	157,065	157,065	157,065
Surplus (section 13-b) -----	26,781	26,785	26,780	26,780	26,780	26,780	26,785	26,785	26,785	26,785
Other capital accounts -----	47,003	47,080	46,969	46,948	46,962	47,032	48,486	48,353	47,932	47,765
Total Liabilities and Capital Accounts -----	24,274,828	23,317,125	24,400,246	24,440,328	24,191,038	24,352,799	24,338,002	24,370,603	24,069,432	24,136,503
Ratio of total res. to deposits and Fed. Res. note liability combined -----	90.9%	91.1%	90.8%	90.7%	90.7%	90.8%	90.3%	90.6%	91.1%	91.1%
Commitments to make industrial advances -----	14,272	5,207	14,277	14,427	14,834	14,597	14,969	14,937	14,871	14,735
Maturity Distribution of Bills and Short-Term Securities -----										
1-15 days bills disc. -----	3,173	1,966	2,310	2,624	3,127	1,878	5,064	2,789	1,501	3,247
16-30 days bills disc. -----	23	90	37	32	31	55	276	281	166	194
31-60 days bills disc. -----	73	113	67	48	110	108	112	107	342	258
61-90 days bills disc. -----	427	285	462	318	219	136	283	337	311	251
Over 90 days bills disc. -----	249	212	327	560	633	778	1,334	1,790	1,740	1,617
Total bills -----	3,945	2,666	3,203	3,582	4,120	2,955	7,069	5,304	4,050	5,567
1-15 days ind. adv. -----	2,680	1,386	3,166	3,133	3,042	3,118	1,991	3,239	3,124	3,111
16-30 days ind. adv. -----	405	52	321	600	695	378	1,592	528	676	731
31-60 days ind. adv. -----	149	197	215	195	142	471	464	562	558	137
61-90 days ind. adv. -----	418	352	182	156	221	162	211	203	247	593
Over 90 days ind. adv. -----	5,372	5,884	5,537	5,428	5,519	5,377	5,452	5,179	5,169	5,227
Total Industrial Adv. -----	9,024	7,871	9,421	9,512	9,619	9,504	9,710	9,711	9,772	9,799
U. S. Govt. securities, direct and guaranteed:										
1-15 days -----	-----	-----	-----	1,000	1,000	1,000	-----			

Appropriations Committee on January 27. The Naval Supply bill sent to the Senate on the same day provides \$19,977,965,474. The two huge appropriations are intended to implement the President's program calling for the production of 185,000 planes, 120,000 tanks, 55,000 anti-aircraft guns, and 18,000,000 deadweight tons of shipping by the end of 1943.

Marked extension of Government control of imports and exports by both the United States and the countries with which we have trade relations were noted by Secretary of Commerce Jones in his annual report for the 1941 fiscal year. Net movements of merchandise, gold and silver resulted in an import balance for the year of \$1,650,000,000 due to the continued though diminished gold inflow, compared with an export balance of \$1,750,-000,000 during the second year of the World War.

The Canadian dollar advanced on Saturday last to 88.25c., but receded to 88.12 on Tuesday in light dealings, where it remained throughout the week. On Monday Prime Minister Mackenzie King in the course of a comprehensive review of the Canadian war effort announced that Canada will make an outright gift to Great Britain during 1942 of \$1,000,000,000 for the purchase of war munitions, raw materials, and foodstuffs. Prime Minister Churchill acknowledged the gift, equivalent to about £275,000,000 sterling, in his address in Commons the next day. The Canadian Premier likewise announced a proposal to convert accumulated sterling credits of \$700,000,000 into a loan on which no interest would be charged during the war. He said that Canada will purchase about \$295,000,000 of Dominion and Canadian National Railways securities owned in Great Britain. Finance Minister Ilsley told the Toronto Board of Trade on Monday that the Government does not intend to resort to compulsory loans or savings to finance the war, declaring that "saving must remain primarily a matter of individual responsibility and initiative." He predicted that living standards will have to be lowered in order to provide the money needed to finance the war. Dividend control he said is inadvisable because it would result in decreased taxes, since the Treasury receives through taxes 40% to 60% of any increase in dividends and loses the same proportion of any decrease.

Montreal funds ranged during the week between a discount of 12% and a discount of 11 11/16%.

## **Continental And Other Foreign Exchange**

In 1942 this country will produce as many planes and tanks as Hitler's entire output while preparing for war in the years before 1939, and "we are already on our way to outbuilding the world," the Office of Facts and Figures reported recently. A scheme to convert millions of dollars' worth of diamonds seized by the Nazis in invaded Belgium and Netherlands into dollar credits was brought to light with a series of indictments issued in New York on January 28 against highly placed Nazis and their agents in the United States.

A new 5,000,000,000-franc national credit loan was issued on Monday by the Vichy Government to pay for repair of war damages. The bonds will be amortized over 50 years and will carry interest at 3½%. The extreme abundance of money is reflected in the large increase in two national savings funds, which received additional deposits of 6,500,000,000 francs despite reduction in interest payments to depositors.

Reports were received in London on January 24 that Denmark had increased the value of its currency without consulting the Reich, thereby increasing the cost of Danish goods imported into Germany. The value of a large amount of German marks now held in the Danish Central Bank would, it was declared in banking circles, be decreased as a result of the advance in the kroner rate from 2.08 to 1.9136 kroner to the mark.

Figures published in New York on January 24 by the Swedish-American News Exchange, Inc., show that Swedish imports declined 16% in 1941 from 1,671,000,000 kroner (about \$417,750,000 at par), while exports increased 1% to 1,351,000,000 kroner (about \$337,750,000). Rationing of clothing and textiles was begun on Dec. 31. It was reported that "while export prices in 1941 remained constant at 40% above the August 1939 figure, import prices continued to rise. In November 1941 import prices reached a point 160% above the pre-war figures."

Exchange on the Latin American countries is generally steady. Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau last week explained that the purpose of the currency stabilization conference proposed at the Rio de Janeiro meeting of American foreign ministers is to work out a permanent international currency of fixed value, backed by gold or gold and silver, intended to assist in the revival of peacetime hemisphere trade. Such an export currency would be similar, he said, to the old trade dollar used by the United States in trade with Orient between 1873 and 1887. "If we could get some currency unit common to the Republics and Canada and some kind of fund back of it to keep the currency stable, it would help the flow of trade," he said. "It would be purely an export currency, our own dollar or a new currency." If successful, the arrangement could be extended to the rest of the world, Mr. Morgenthau suggested. A plan was submitted to Congress last year to create an inter-American bank to assist in stabilizing South American currencies, facilitate investment, increase trade, promote industrial development and foster economic and financial cooperation among the republics. It was proposed that the bank should be capitalized at \$100,000,000, subscribed by the participating countries in proportion to the dollar volume of their respective 1938 foreign trade. Inquiry as to the status of the proposal disclosed that the Senate Banking Committee is planning to conduct hearings on the bill soon.

Agreements concluded between the United States and 16 Latin American republics during the conference at Rio de Janeiro remove tariff and other trade barriers

## **Foreign Exchange Rates**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 522 of the Tariff Act of 1930, the Federal Reserve Bank is now certifying daily to the Secretary of the Treasury the buying rate for cable transfers in the different countries of the world. We give below a record for the week just passed:

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES CERTIFIED BY FEDERAL RESERVE BANK TO TREASURY UNDER TARIFF ACT OF 1930  
JAN. 23 to JAN. 29, 1942, INCLUSIVE

Country and Monetary Unit	Noon Buying Rate for Cable Transfers in New York Value in United States Money					Jan. 29
	Jan. 23	Jan. 24	Jan. 26	Jan. 27	Jan. 28	
<b>EUROPE—</b>						
Belgium, Belga	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Bulgaria, lev	†	†	†	†	†	†
Czecho-Slovakia, koruna	†	†	†	†	†	†
Denmark, krone	†	†	†	†	†	†
England, pound sterling	—	—	—	—	—	—
Official	4.035000	4.035000	4.035000	4.035000	4.035000	4.035000
Free	4.035000	4.035000	4.035000	4.035000	4.035000	4.035000
Finland, markka	†	†	†	†	†	†
France, franc	†	†	†	†	†	†
Germany, reichsmark	†	†	†	†	†	†
Greece, drachma	†	†	†	†	†	†
Hungary, pengo	†	†	†	†	†	†
Italy, lira	†	†	†	†	†	†
Netherlands, guilder	†	†	†	†	†	†
Norway, krone	†	†	†	†	†	†
Poland, zloty	†	†	†	†	†	†
Portugal, escudo	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rumania, leu	—	—	—	—	—	—
Spain, peseta	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sweden, krona	—	—	—	—	—	—
Switzerland, franc	—	—	—	—	—	—
Yugoslavia, dinar	†	†	†	†	†	†
<b>ASIA—</b>						
China, Chefoo dollar (yuan)	†	†	†	†	†	†
China, Hankow dollar (yuan)	†	†	†	†	†	†
China, Shanghai dollar (yuan)	†	†	†	†	†	†
China, Tientsin dollar (yuan)	†	†	†	†	†	†
Hong Kong, dollar	†	†	†	†	†	†
India (British), rupee	.301215	.301215	.301215	.301215	.301215	.301215
Japan, Yen	†	†	†	†	†	†
Straits Settlements, dollar	.463000	.469000	.468600	.468400	.468400	.468400
<b>AUSTRALASIA—</b>						
Australia, pound	—	—	—	—	—	—
Official	3.228000	3.228000	3.228000	3.228000	3.228000	3.228000
Free	3.215033	3.215033	3.215033	3.215033	3.215033	3.215033
New Zealand, pound	3.227833	3.227833	3.227833	3.227833	3.227833	3.227833
<b>AFRICA—</b>						
Union of South Africa, pound	3.980000	3.980000	3.980000	3.980000	3.980000	3.980000
<b>NORTH AMERICA—</b>						
Canada, dollar	—	—	—	—	—	—
Official	.909090	.909090	.909090	.909090	.909090	.909090
Free	.881328	.881796	.879296	.880781	.880468	.880703
Mexico, peso	.205625	.205625	.205625	.205625	.205625	.205625
Newfoundland, dollar	—	—	—	—	—	—
Official	.909090	.909090	.003090	.909090	.909090	.909090
Free	.878750	.879583	.876875	.878333	.878333	.878333
<b>SOUTH AMERICA—</b>						
Argentina, peso	—	—	—	—	—	—
Official	.297733*	.297733*	.297733*	.297733*	.297733*	.297733*
Free	.237044*	.237044*	.237044*	.237044*	.237044*	.237044*
Brazil, milreis	—	—	—	—	—	—
Official	.060580*	.030580*	.060580*	.060580*	.060580*	.060580*
Free	.051335*	.051335*	.051335*	.051335*	.051335*	.051335*
Chile, peso	—	—	—	—	—	—
Official	—	—	—	—	—	—
Export	—	—	—	—	—	—
Colombia, peso	.569900*	.569950*	.569950*	.570000*	.570000*	.570000*
Uruguay, peso	—	—	—	—	—	—
Controlled	.658300*	.658300*	.658300*	.658300*	.658300*	.658300*
Non-controlled	.524600*	*.524600*	.524600*	.524600*	.524600*	.524600*

\* Nominal rate. † No. rates available. § Temporarily omitted.

## **Weekly Return of the Member Banks of the Federal Reserve System**

Following is the weekly statement issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, giving the principal items of resources and liabilities of the reporting member banks in 101 leading cities from which weekly returns are obtained. These figures are always a week behind those for the Reserve banks themselves.

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF WEEKLY REPORTING MEMBER BANKS IN 101 LEADING CITIES BY DISTRICTS ON JANUARY 21, 1942  
 (In Millions of Dollars)

Federal Reserve Districts—	Total	Boston	New York	Philadelphia	Cleveland	Richmond	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Mn.—Kansas City	Dallas	San Fr'isco
<b>ASSETS—</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Loans and investments—total	30,211	1,501	13,229	1,412	2,356	917	827	4,329	940	511	858	673
Loans—total	11,199	784	4,136	549	872	337	417	1,410	460	273	463	357
Commercial indus. and agricul. loans	6,721	430	2,756	289	420	165	233	956	284	151	297	251
Open market paper	427	107	95	42	32	19	7	45	24	2	23	2
Loans to brokers and dealers in secur.	444	12	311	26	15	4	6	45	4	2	4	5
Other loans for purch. or carrying secur.	406	15	188	33	17	12	8	57	11	6	10	13
Real estate loans	1,248	76	190	49	184	52	34	145	59	16	33	22
Loans to banks	36		32		1		2		1			
Other loans	1,917	144	564	110	203	85	127	162	77	96	91	64
Treasury bills	1,147	49	444	21	32	9	32	408	18	11	18	32
Treasury notes	2,396	42	1,566	27	182	79	51	241	42	15	42	41
United States bonds	9,087	452	3,918	444	832	325	159	1,418	244	143	136	141
Obligations guar. by U. S. Govt.	2,709	55	1,555	104	177	102	59	288	64	30	78	40
Other securities	3,673	117	1,610	267	271	65	109	564	112	39	121	62
Reserve with Federal Reserve Banks	10,507	529	5,333	466	759	287	198	1,512	268	115	255	192
Cash in vault	539	140	103	25	57	29	18	83	15	8	16	14
Balances with domestic banks	3,366	182	231	200	338	251	263	625	221	105	320	321
Other assets—net	1,181	70	398	68	88	45	49	71	21	15	19	32
<b>LIABILITIES—</b>												
Demand deposits—adjusted	24,426	1,524	11,280	1,254	1,847	715	551	3,463	631	372	669	619
Time deposits	5,254	220	1,094	200	721	202	190	962	186	108	135	131
United States Government deposits	1,567	17	863	31	58	48	63	248	28	2	32	36
Inter-bank deposits:												
Domestic banks	9,236	363	3,567	451	550	420	432	1,483	515	199	516	335
Foreign banks	642	24	578	6	2	---	2	9	---	1	1	19
Borrowings	1	1	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other liabilities	766	23	254	13	25	43	18	26	6	8	4	6
Capital accounts	3,912	250	1,658	216	395	101	99	429	99	64	112	92

among the participants for the duration of the war. The agreements ensure the pooling of resources to achieve maximum production and provide that each nation will concentrate on producing the materials and services for which it is best equipped. Adherence of Argentina, Brazil, Chile and Ecuador had not yet been obtained when the other pacts were announced on Jan. 25, but Brazil's signature was assured. A credit of \$25,000,000 was granted by the United States to Bolivia on Jan. 28 for a program of economic development.

Exchange on the Far Eastern countries is nominally quoted. It was learned recently that prompt freezing

action by United States Treasury authorities after the attack on Pearl Harbor prevented the seizure of some \$15,000,000 of war materials originally consigned to areas now occupied by the Japanese. Certain Japanese banks and Philippine banks under Japanese domination have been reopened in Manila. Japanese capital may not be remitted to conquered territories, but capital must be provided by local sources under the control of specially created concerns.

Shanghai, Manila and Hong Kong dollars are not quoted. Singapore closed at 47 3/16, against 47.25, and Calcutta at 30.35, against 30.35.

## THE COURSE OF BANK CLEARINGS

Bank clearings this week show an increase compared with a year ago. Preliminary figures compiled by us, based upon telegraphic advices from the chief cities of the country, indicate that for the week ended today, Saturday, Jan. 31, clearings from all cities of the United States from which it is possible to obtain weekly clearings will be 17.3% above those for the corresponding week last year. Our preliminary total stands at \$7,524,947,849 against \$6,417,554,029 for the same week in 1941. At this center there is an increase for the week ended Friday of 20.1%. Our comparative summary for the week follows:

Clearings—Returns by Telegraph		Week Ending Jan. 31	1942	1941	%
		\$	\$	\$	
New York		3,123,953,480	2,601,948,356	+20.1	
Chicago		323,347,438	263,199,883	+22.9	
Philadelphia		446,000,000	373,000,000	+19.6	
Boston		245,472,959	196,142,380	+25.2	
Kansas City		115,413,907	83,884,977	+37.6	
St. Louis		103,100,000	81,000,000	+33.5	
San Francisco		173,384,000	127,599,000	+35.9	
Pittsburgh		161,316,858	127,694,038	+26.3	
Detroit		208,597,273	134,178,520	+55.5	
Cleveland		128,926,658	99,837,582	+29.1	
Baltimore		94,505,896	73,124,314	+29.2	
Eleven cities, five days		5,129,018,469	4,161,609,050	+23.2	
Other cities, five days		1,141,771,405	858,525,830	+33.0	
Total all cities, five days		6,270,789,874	5,020,134,880	+24.9	
All cities, one day		1,254,157,975	1,397,419,149	-10.3	
Total all cities for week		7,524,947,849	6,417,554,029	+17.3	

Complete and exact details for the week covered by the foregoing will appear in our issue of next week. We cannot furnish them today, inasmuch as the week ends today (Saturday) and the Saturday figures will not be available until noon today. Accordingly, in the above the last day of the week in all cases has to be estimated.

In the elaborate detailed statement, however, which we present further below, we are able to give final and complete results for the week previous—the week ended Jan. 24. For that week there was an increase of 29.1%, the aggregate of clearings for the whole country having amounted to \$6,079,362,070 against \$7,848,825,652 in the same week of 1940. Outside of this city there was an increase of 30.3%, the bank clearings at this center having recorded an increase of 28.0%. We group the cities according to the Federal Reserve districts in which they are located and from this it appears that the New York Reserve District (including this city), recorded an increase of 28.2%. At the top of the list Minneapolis had a 37.2% increase in volume of checks cleared over the same week last year; St. Louis was next with an improvement of 34.4% followed by San Francisco with a rise of 34.3%, Dallas with 34.2% and Kansas City with 33.0%. Chicago and Richmond showed gains of 32.9% and 29.7% respectively; the Atlanta Federal Reserve District had an increase of 28.8% and Philadelphia of 28.3%. Boston improved 26.9% and Cleveland 23.4% from last year.

In the following we furnish a summary by Federal Reserve Districts.

### SUMMARY OF BANK CLEARINGS

Week Ended Jan. 24	1942	1941	%	1940	1939	Inc. or Dec.
	\$	\$		\$	\$	
Federal Reserve Districts						
1st Boston	12 cities	367,952,368	289,910,756	+26.9	255,668,451	238,399,335
2d New York	12 "	4,187,524,083	3,266,995,599	+28.2	3,000,601,653	3,249,047,392
3d Philadelphia	10 "	547,341,405	448,575,981	+28.3	390,455,055	361,282,546
4th Cleveland	7 "	465,746,212	377,550,124	+23.4	296,841,212	268,729,706
5th Richmond	6 "	217,762,401	187,838,493	+29.7	130,475,678	120,831,863
6th Atlanta	10 "	262,591,614	203,882,123	+28.8	166,839,945	158,419,670
7th Chicago	18 "	718,023,121	540,337,034	+32.9	497,745,330	430,657,213
8th St. Louis	4 "	236,048,477	175,637,982	+34.4	140,487,564	133,521,068
9th Minneapolis	7 "	146,156,120	106,287,958	+37.5	97,541,019	84,566,186
10th Kansas City	10 "	202,334,173	152,128,058	+33.0	119,920,531	128,311,326
11th Dallas	6 "	106,043,240	79,036,098	+34.2	71,642,432	67,633,076
12th San Francisco	10 "	364,262,438	271,201,883	+34.3	236,530,483	214,895,251
Total	112 cities	7,848,825,652	6,079,362,070	+29.1	5,404,749,353	5,456,294,632
Outside New York City		3,807,772,186	2,921,432,730	+30.3	2,511,956,445	2,300,151,519
Canada	32 cities	422,177,556	356,954,239	+15.7	258,675,045	276,609,737

We now add our detailed statement showing last week's figures for each city separately for the four years.

	Week Ended Jan. 24	1942	1941	%	1940	1939	Inc. or Dec.
		\$	\$		\$	\$	
<b>Clearings at—</b>							
First Federal Reserve District—Boston							
Me.—Bangor		990,156	556,736	+77.9	464,344	405,543	
Portland		3,031,810	1,929,284	+57.1	1,853,452	1,782,042	
Mass.—Boston		312,941,769	250,541,401	+24.9	219,203,104	205,162,604	
Fall River		89,786	735,019	+22.3	716,325	595,483	
Lowell		434,103	414,015	+4.9	327,717	340,348	
New Bedford		878,694	656,957	+33.8	550,427	786,172	
Springfield		3,599,114	3,347,658	+7.5	3,476,427	3,492,611	
Worcester		2,826,300	2,174,331	+30.0	2,224,145	1,892,710	
Conn.—Hartford		20,348,488	11,171,448	+82.1	10,069,366	9,181,993	
New Haven		6,209,218	5,030,567	+23.4	5,004,988	4,339,564	
R. I.—Providence		15,213,000	12,790,100	+18.9	11,365,600	9,998,000	
N. H.—Manchester		580,950	563,240	+3.1	412,558	422,265	
Total (12 cities)		367,952,368	289,910,756	+26.9	255,668,451	238,399,335	
<b>Second Federal Reserve District—New York</b>							
N. Y.—Albany		14,786,476	6,010,857	+146.0	10,489,749	7,920,665	
Binghamton		1,357,756	1,133,276	+19.8	1,156,196	999,405	
Buffalo		51,600,000	36,500,000	+41.4	35,000,000	30,900,000	
Elmira		883,639	638,190	+38.7	476,617	497,339	
Jamestown		869,494	902,276	-3.6	812,587	785,552	
New York		4,041,053,466	3,157,929,340	+28.0	2,892,792,908	3,156,143,113	
Rochester		10,925,595	8,471,052	+29.0	8,672,527	8,270,180	
Syracuse		5,251,775	4,937,526	+6.4	4,299,665	3,799,703	
Conn.—Stamford		6,882,265	5,703,752	+20.1	3,630,622	3,500,339	
N. J.—Montclair		363,880	335,057	+8.6	392,972	332,946	
Newark		21,955,212	17,896,793	+22.7	17,107,409	14,848,931	
Northern, N. J.		31,394,525	26,510,480	+19.2	25,770,401	21,049,159	
Total (12 cities)		4,187,524,083	3,266,995,599	+28.2	3,000,601,653	3,249,047,392	
<b>Third Federal Reserve District—Philadelphia</b>							
Pa.—Allentown		412,816	455,747	-9.4	390,031	361,878	
Bethlehem		749,672	634,855	+18.1	399,684	308,019	
Chester		494,192	430,698	+14.7	316,861	382,327	
Lancaster		1,410,954	1,192,785	+18.3	1,060,851	1,267,943	
Philadelphia		561,000,000	437,000,000	+28.4	380,000,000	351,000,000	
Reading		1,265,203	1,371,613	-7.8	1,231,109	1,156,822	
Scranton		2,398,511	2,158,279	+11.1	2,211,889	2,281,457	
Wilkes-Barre		1,035,160	1,012,974	+2.2	797,420	643,535	
York		1,648,907	1,384,130	+19.1	1,100,210	996,565	
N. J.—Trenton		3,966,000	2,933,900	+35.2	2,947,000	2,878,000	
Total (10 cities)		574,381,405	448,575,981	+28.3	390,455,055	361,282,546	
<b>Fourth Federal Reserve District—Cleveland</b>							
Ohio—Canton		3,018,717	2,883,601	+4.7	1,973,073	1,660,303	
Cincinnati		87,678,835	68,251,312	+28.5	57,246,731	51,260,967	
Cleveland		163,585,336	114,107,888	+43.4	93,322,678	81,809,935	
Columbus		11,583,900	10,333,500	+12.1	9,414,200	8,327,200	
Mansfield		2,645,380	2,155,715	+22.7	1,488,841	1,373,757	
Youngstown		3,500,002	3,074,828	+13.8	2,165,863	2,466,380	
Pa.—Pittsburgh		193,734,042	176,723,282	+9.6	131,229,826	121,831,164	
Total (7 cities)		465,746,212	377,530,124	+23.4	296,841,212	268,729,706	

	Week Ended Jan. 24			
	1942	1941	%	1940
	\$	\$		\$