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ALABAMA

Bay Minette, Ala.

Bond Offering—Mary F. Smith, Town Clerk, states that she will offer for sale at public auction on March 2, at noon, a \$47,500 issue of gas system revenue bonds. Interest rate is not to exceed 5%, payable F-A. Denom. \$1,000, one for \$500. Dated Feb. 1, 1942. Due on Feb. 1, as follows: \$2,500 in 1946, and \$5,000 in 1947 to 1955. Bonds maturing in 1951 to 1955 may be called for redemption at the option of the town in inverse numerical order on Feb. 1, 1947, and on any interest date thereafter, at par and accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption, pursuant to not less than 30 days' notice. Rate of interest to be in multiples of 1/4 of 1%. Prin. and int. payable at the Merchants National Bank of Mobile. Issued for the purpose of constructing a gas system for the town and are payable solely from gross revenues to be derived from the operation of the system. The bonds will be awarded as a whole on the bid showing the town the lowest net interest cost. No conditional bids will be considered. The town will supply the approving opinion of Chapman & Cutler of Chicago. A certified check for 2% of the amount of the bonds, payable to the Town Clerk, is required.

Sheffield, Ala.

Bonds Not Sold—Reoffered—The \$975,000 secured refunding bonds offered on Feb. 12—v. 155, p. 643—were not sold. They are being reoffered, bids for their purchases were received until Feb. 28.

Tarrant City, Ala.

Sealed Tenders Invited—City Clerk Z. D. McCuen states that the city has available for the purchase of public improvement refunding bonds of the issue dated April 1, 1937, and which mature

April 1, 1967, the sum of \$24,367.61, and the city will receive from holders of such bonds sealed tenders until March 17, at noon.

Such tenders must specify the numbers of the bonds so tendered or offered for sale to the city, and the price at which the same are tendered or offered. Bidders or offerors of such bonds may stipulate, if desired, that their tenders are for the purchase of all or none of the bonds tendered. Bidders shall state in their tenders that the bonds tendered, if purchased by the city, will be delivered at the City Bank Farmers Trust Co., New York, on March 31. Enclose a certified check for 1% of the face amount of the bonds tendered, payable to the city.

ALASKA

Anchorage, Alaska

Proposed Bond Issue—Under the provisions of a bill introduced in Congress, the city is authorized to issue \$1,200,000 bonds to finance purchase of the Anchorage Light & Power System.

CALIFORNIA

California (State of)

Financial Condition Found Favorable—We quote in part as follows from an Associated Press dispatch out of Sacramento on Feb. 7: Lopping off of relief and a phenomenal increase in the sales tax revenue have put California in the best financial position in three and a half years, State Controller Harry B. Riley announced today.

The State's general fund cash deficiency has been reduced since Jan. 31, 1941, from \$77,644,433 to \$8,390,845.

June 30, 1940, the general fund was in the red \$82,110,559.

Unemployment relief which cost California \$16,948,917 for the six months period from July 1, 1940, to Jan. 31, 1941, stood, the State only \$999,136 for the comparable period ending Jan. 31 this year. The Legislature eliminated the SRA last June by adjourning without making any appropriation for it.

Even had the State continued to pour out millions for direct relief,

the retail sales tax alone would have much more than offset the expense for this source of revenue jumped in a half year period from \$54,825,394 to \$87,993,261, an increase of more than 60%.

Expenditures as a whole dropped from \$95,090,117 in the last seven months to \$83,499,817 and revenues exceeded expenditures by \$53,117,809, which is an average monthly excess of \$7,588,258.

The State's total current debt, which includes outstanding warrants and loans from various funds, was \$57,407,272 last Jan. 31 compared to \$100,371,587 for the same date a year ago.

In revealing the favorable trend of the State's finances, Riley said:

"It is gratifying to know the State's financial condition has improved to such an extent that soon we shall be able to operate without the issuance of interest bearing registered warrants. We expect to make one additional sale of warrants before the final redemption this month. Then, for the first time in eight years, excepting a few days in 1937, we will have wiped the slate clean of these interest bearing obligations."

Los Angeles County (P. O. Los Angeles), Calif.

School Bond Sale—The \$75,000 Wiseburn School District semi-ann. bonds offered for sale on

Feb. 24—v. 155, p. 747—were awarded to Redfield & Co. of Los Angeles, as 3 1/2s, at a price of 100.60, a basis of about 3.41%. Dated March 1, 1942. Due \$5,000 on March 1 in 1943 to 1957 incl.

Bonds Not Sold—The \$10,000 Garvey School District semi-ann. bonds offered on the same date—v. 155, p. 747—were not sold as the only bid received was reject-

ed. Dated Aug. 1, 1939. Due \$1,000 on Aug. 1 in 1944 to 1953 incl.

Ncrth of River Sanitary District No. 1 (P. O. Oildale), Calif.

Bonds Sold—The \$215,400 semi-ann. sewage disposal bonds offered for sale on May 9, 1941, are stated to have been purchased jointly by the William R. Staats Co., and Redfield & Co., both of Los Angeles, as 3s, paying a price

GOOD NEWS

Effective immediately, the Financial Chronicle will be published on MONDAY and THURSDAY of each week, rather than on Tuesday and Thursday. Monday's issue will be mailed the preceding Saturday. Thus, the security quotations appearing in this issue will be in the hands of subscribers much sooner than heretofore. We hope that this effort to give faster service will be successful, that no insurmountable mechanical difficulties will be encountered.

Production costs will be increased considerably in making this improvement, but we feel that this will be amply justified by the increased value of the Chronicle—through supplying you with the weekly range of security prices from two to four days earlier. As always, we are continuing to "search unremittingly for opportunities to improve The Commercial & Financial Chronicle."

Interest Exempt, in the opinion of counsel, from Federal Income Tax by the provisions of the United States Housing Act of 1937.

New Issues

\$3,409,000

Louisville Municipal Housing Commission, Kentucky

2 1/4% Refunding Bonds, Series A

Dated: April 1, 1942

Due: April 1, as shown below

Legal Investments in the State of New York, in the opinion of counsel, for Savings Banks, Trustees and other Fiduciaries, Insurance Companies, the State of New York, its Subdivisions, Municipalities and all other Public Bodies and all Public Officers.

AMOUNTS, MATURITIES AND YIELDS

Amount	Maturity	Yield	Amount	Maturity	Yield	Amount	Maturity	Yield	Amount	Maturity	Yield
\$ 80,000	1943	.60%	\$ 97,000	1951	1.80%	\$113,000	1958	2.05%	\$132,000	1965	2.15%
82,000	1944	.90	99,000	1952	1.85	115,000	1959	2.05	134,000	1966	2.20
84,000	1945	1.10	101,000	1953	1.90	118,000	1960	2.10	138,000	1967	2.20
86,000	1946	1.30	103,000	1954	1.95	121,000	1961	2.10	141,000	1968	2.20
88,000	1947	1.50	106,000	1955	1.95	123,000	1962	2.10	144,000	1969	2.25
91,000	1948	1.60	108,000	1956	2.00	126,000	1963	2.15	147,000	1970	2.25
93,000	1949	1.70	110,000	1957	2.00	129,000	1964	2.15	151,000	1971	2.25
95,000	1950	1.75							154,000	1972	2.25

The bonds are redeemable at the option of the Commission on terms and under conditions referred to in the Resolution, at 104 on or before April 1, 1947 and at decreasing prices thereafter, but prior to maturity at not less than 101 1/2, plus, in each case, accrued interest.

These bonds are offered when, as and if issued and received by us and subject to the approval of legality by Messrs. Thomson, Wood & Hoffman of New York.

Goldman, Sachs & Co.

Graham, Parsons & Co.

Bacon, Stevenson & Co.

Roosevelt & Weigold

B. J. Van Ingen & Co. Inc.

Paine, Webber & Co.

A. C. Allyn and Company

E. H. Rollins & Sons

Coffin & Burr

Tucker, Anthony & Co.

Otis & Co. (Incorporated)

R. D. White & Company

R. S. Dickson & Company

Newburger, Loeb & Co.

Fox, Reusch & Co. (Incorporated)

Bond, Judge & Co. (Incorporated)

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Gross And Net Earnings of United States Railroads For The Month Of December

Financial results of railroad operations in the United States during last December began to reflect the acute increase of transportation requirements which the impact of our formal entry into the World War occasioned.

December of 1941 was decidedly a transition month for the great transportation industry, and earnings for the month are not necessarily to be regarded as indicative of the future.

The experience of our first month of formal participation in the war suggests the care necessary in any consideration of railroad earnings. The fortunes of war may cause like developments at any time.

Gross earnings of the railroads for December, 1941, amounted to \$479,573,554, against \$381,156,620 in December of 1940, a gain of \$98,416,934, or 25.82%.

We turn now to the various business factors which contributed to the improvement in carrier earnings. Such factors, it may be added, will fluctuate sharply as the overshadowing war requirements turn peaceful pursuits into those of martial necessity.

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 December, 1941, as compared with the corresponding month in 1940, 1939, 1932 and 1929.

Table with columns for months (December 1941, 1940, 1939, 1932, 1929) and rows for Automobile units, Freight Traffic, Cotton receipts, Livestock receipts, and various car types.

Table showing production and shipments for various commodities like Flour, Wheat, Corn, Oats, Barley, Rye, Iron & Steel, Pig iron, Steel, Lumber, Production, Shipments, and Orders received from 1941 to 1929.

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, i Iron Age, j American Iron and Steel Institute, m National Lumber Manufacturers Association (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.

PRINCIPAL CHANGES IN GROSS EARNINGS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER

Table showing principal changes in gross earnings for December, listing various railroads and their increases or decreases.

*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 \$6,982,996.

PRINCIPAL CHANGES IN NET EARNINGS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER

Table showing principal changes in net earnings for December, listing various railroads and their increases or decreases.

*These figures cover the operations of the New York Central and the leased lines—Cleveland Cincinnati Chicago & St. Louis, Michigan Central, Cincinnati Northern and Evansville Indianapolis & Terre Haute, including Pittsburgh & Lake Erie, the result is a decrease of \$2,531,775.

When the roads are arranged in groups, or geographical divisions, according to their location, the nature of

the results recorded for the month under review are more clearly manifested. The Western District showed a gross gain of 30.87% and the Southern District, one of 26.27%; in the Eastern District the improvement was somewhat less marked, amounting there to 21.47%.

Our summary by groups is as before. As previously explained, we group the roads to conform with the classification of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

SUMMARY BY GROUPS table showing Gross Earnings for Eastern, Southern, and Western districts across different years.

Table showing Gross Earnings for various regions like New England, Great Lakes, and Central East, broken down by district and region.

Table showing Net Earnings for various regions like New England, Great Lakes, and Central East, broken down by district and region.

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EASTERN DISTRICT

New England Region—Comprises the New England States. Great Lakes Region—Comprises the section on the Canadian boundary between New England and the westerly shore of Lake Michigan to Chicago, and north of a line from Chicago via Pittsburgh to New York.

Southern Region—Comprises the section east of the Mississippi River and south of the Ohio River to a point east of Kenova, W. Va., and a line thence following the eastern boundary of Kentucky and the southern boundary of Virginia to the Atlantic.

Central Eastern Region—Comprises the section south of the Great Lakes Region east of a line from Chicago through Peoria to St. Louis and the Mississippi River to the mouth of the Ohio River, and north of the Ohio River to Parkersburg, W. Va., and a line thence to the southwestern corner of Maryland and by the Potomac River to its mouth.

Northwestern Region—Comprises the section adjoining Canada lying west of the Great Lakes Region, north of a line from Chicago to Omaha and thence to Portland, and by the Columbia River to the Pacific.

Central Western Region—Comprises the section south of the Northwestern Region west of a line from Chicago to Peoria, and thence to St. Louis, and north of a line from St. Louis to Kansas City and thence to El Paso and by the Mexican boundary to the Pacific.

Southwestern Region—Comprises the section lying between the Mississippi River south of St. Louis and a line from St. Louis to Kansas City and thence to El Paso, and by the Rio Grande to the Gulf of Mexico.

Western roads (taking them collectively) had a greatly increased grain traffic in December, 1941, as compared with the same month in 1940. The aggregate movement of all the grains in the table below amounted to 69,085,000 bushels compared with 41,278,000 bushels in the corresponding month last year.

WESTERN FLOUR AND GRAIN RECEIPTS

Table showing Western Flour and Grain Receipts for various locations like Chicago, Minneapolis, Duluth, Milwaukee, Toledo, Indianapolis and Omaha, St. Louis, Peoria, Kansas City, St. Joseph, Wichita, and Sioux City, broken down by year and commodity.

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As to the cotton receipts at Southern ports, we find they were larger than in 1940 but considerably smaller than in 1939. Receipts at the Southern ports in December, 1941, aggregate 517,934 bales, in the same month of 1940 305,420 bales, and in December, 1939, amounted to 966,181 bales. In the following table we give the details of the port movement of the staple for the past six years:

RECEIPTS OF COTTON AT SOUTHERN PORTS IN DECEMBER FOR SIX YEARS, 1936 TO 1941, INCLUSIVE

Table with columns: Ports, 1941, 1940, 1939, 1938, 1937, 1936. Lists ports like Galveston, Houston, Corp. Christi etc, Beaumont, New Orleans, Mobile, Pensacola, Savannah, Bronsville, Charleston, Lake Charles, Wilmington, Norfolk, Jacksonville, Gulfport.

Finally, we add a summary of the December comparisons of the gross and net earnings of the railroads of the country for each year back to and including 1909:

Table with columns: Month of Dec., Year Given, Gross Earnings, Mileage. Includes sub-tables for Year Inc. (+) or Dec. (-) and Per cent.

Table with columns: Month of December, Year, Net Earnings, Increase (+) or Decrease (-), Per cent. Shows data from 1909 to 1941.

*The Chicago & Alton in its return for 1931 included in expenses \$6,453,714 for dismantled equipment. In its return for 1932, in giving comparative figures for 1931, this item has been omitted from the expenses of the latter year. This will explain the wide difference in the 1931 totals in the respective comparisons.

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."

Table with columns: Company and Issue, Date, Page. Lists various bond issues like Alabama Power Co., Burlington Steel Co., Callaway Mills, etc.

Large table with columns: Company and Issue, Date, Page, Name of Company, Per share, When Payable, Holders of Rec. Lists numerous companies and their financial details.

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:

Table with columns: Name of Company, Per share, When Payable, Holders of Rec. Lists various companies and their dividend information.

Main table listing companies with columns: 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.

Below we give the dividends announced in previous weeks and not yet paid. The list does not include dividends announced this week, these being given in the preceding table.

Table listing companies and their dividends with columns: Name of Company, Per Share, When Payable, Holders of Rec.

Table listing various companies with columns for Name of Company, Per Share, When Payable, Holders of Rec., and Name of Company, Per Share, When Payable, Holders of Rec.

Daily Average Crude Oil Production For Week Ended Feb. 21, 1942, Dropped 1,150 Barrels

The American Petroleum Institute estimates that the daily average crude oil production for the week ended Feb. 21, 1942, was 4,077,350 barrels, a decline of 1,150 barrels from the previous week.

Reports received from refining companies owning 86.9% of the 4,684,000 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, 3,889,000 barrels of crude oil daily during the week ended Feb. 21, 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, 104,312,000 barrels of finished and unfinished gasoline.

DAILY AVERAGE CRUDE OIL PRODUCTION (FIGURES IN BARRELS)

Table showing daily average crude oil production by state and region, including Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, and Louisiana.

These are recommendations of the Office of the Petroleum Coordinator for the month of February. Oklahoma, Kans., Neb., Miss., Ind., figures are for week ended 7 a.m. Feb. 13.

CRUDE RUNS TO STILL; PRODUCTION OF GASOLINE; STOCKS OF FINISHED AND UNFINISHED GASOLINE AND GAS AND FUEL OIL, WEEK ENDED FEB. 21, 1942

Table showing crude runs to still, production of gasoline, and stocks of finished and unfinished gasoline and gas and fuel oil.

Figures in this section include reported totals plus an estimate of unreported amounts, and are therefore on a Bureau of Mines Basis.

Electric Output For Week Ended Feb. 21, 1942, Shows 14.7% Gain Over Same Week In 1941

The Edison Electric Institute, in its current weekly report, estimated that the production of electricity by the electric light and power industry of the United States for the week ended Feb. 21, 1942, was 3,423,589,000 kwh., which compares with 2,985,585,000 kwh. in the corresponding period in 1941, a gain of 14.7%.

PERCENTAGE INCREASE OVER PREVIOUS YEAR

Table showing percentage increase over previous year for major geographic divisions and total United States.

DATA FOR RECENT WEEKS (Thousands of Kilowatt-Hours)

Table showing data for recent weeks (thousands of kilowatt-hours) for various weeks from Sept. 6 to Dec. 27.

DATA FOR RECENT MONTHS (Thousands of Kilowatt-Hours)

Table showing data for recent months (thousands of kilowatt-hours) for various months from January to December.

English Financial Market--Per Cable

The daily closing quotations for securities, &c., at London, as reported by cable, have been as follows the past week:

Table showing daily closing quotations for securities, &c., at London, including Silver, Gold, Consols, and British Treasury.

Non-Ferrous Metals--Sellers Hope For Early Action On Allocations For March

"Metal and Mineral Markets" in its issue of Feb. 26 reported that with February's transactions in major non-ferrous metals virtually completed, sellers are eager to get going on next month's business.

to Washington. The price situation was unchanged. Antimony appears to be marked for an upward revision in the selling basis.

Copper

Harry O. King has been named chief of the Copper Branch of the War Production Board. Mr. King replaces H. W. Dodge, who has been acting as chief for the last month.

Domestic sales of copper for the week amounted to 10,147 tons, making a total of 72,046 tons for the month so far.

Quotas for 1941 to be used in connection with the over-quota or premium production of copper have not yet been established.

Lead

Representatives of the lead industry were in Washington yesterday to confer with WPB officials in reference to March releases.

Sales for last week involved 2,133 tons. Common lead 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.

The United States lead refinery statistics for January showed stocks at the end of the month of 20,531 tons, against 20,185 tons a month previous.

Preliminary figures by the Bureau of Mines indicate that 472,600 tons of refined lead were produced in this country in 1941 from domestic ores, against 433,065 tons in 1940.

Zinc

Demand for High Grade zinc remains quite active, and the trade is again wondering whether the pool for March will differentiate between that material and Prime Western.

Sales of the common grades for the week ended Feb. 21 totaled 6,672 tons, with shipments of 5,577 tons.

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Non-Ferrous Metals

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Tin

Conditions surrounding the tin situation have not changed in the last week. Consumption of the metal in non-essential uses is falling to conserve supplies.

Straits tin for future arrival was as follows:

Table with columns: Feb., March, April, May. Rows for Feb. 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25.

Chinese tin, 99%, spot, 51.125c., Feb. 19 to Feb. 25, inclusive.

London tin—no quotations.

Quicksilver

With imports increasing, and restrictions on use of quicksilver operating to conserve supplies, consumers in some instances appeared less concerned about the

immediate outlook. The price situation in New York has not cleared, and quotations still cover a wide range. In general, however, the views of sellers remained at \$197.05 to \$198.96. In one direction, \$201.13 per flask was named. The ceiling price on the Pacific Coast continued at \$191 per flask.

Silver

During the past week the silver market in London has been unchanged at 23 1/2. On Feb. 19 the forward price increased from 23 1/2 d. to 23 9/16 d., where it remained until Feb. 24, when it again declined to 23 1/2. The New York Official and the U. S. Treasury prices are unchanged.

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

Table with columns: Electrolytic Copper, Straits Tin, Lead, Zinc. Rows for Feb. 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25 and Average.

Average prices for calendar week ended Feb. 21 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 0.25c. 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 World War II, 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.

The London Stock Exchange

Quotations of representative stocks as received by cable each day of the past week:

Table with columns: Saturday Feb. 14, Monday Feb. 16, Tuesday Feb. 17, Wednesday Feb. 18, Thursday Feb. 19, Friday Feb. 20. Rows for various stocks like Boots Pure Drugs, British Amer. Tobacco, etc.

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, FEB. 18, 1942. (In Millions of Dollars)

Large table with columns for Federal Reserve Districts (Total, Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Cleveland, Richmond, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Minneapolis, Kansas City, Dallas, San Francisco) and rows for ASSETS and LIABILITIES.

The Week with the Federal Reserve Banks

During the week ended Feb. 25 member bank reserve balances decreased \$537,000,000. Reductions in member bank reserves arose from increases of \$534,000,000 in Treasury deposits with Federal Reserve Banks, \$83,000,000 in money in circulation and \$8,000,000 in Treasury cash, and a decrease of \$12,000,000 in Reserve Bank credit, offset in part by increases of \$3,000,000 in gold stock and \$2,000,000 in Treasury currency and a decrease of \$97,000,000 in nonmember deposits and other Federal Reserve accounts.

The principal change in holdings of bills and securities was an increase of \$12,000,000 in United States Government bonds.

Changes in member bank reserve balances and related items during the week and the year ended Feb. 25, 1942, were as follows:

Table with columns: Feb. 25, 1942, Increase (+) or Decrease (-) Since Feb. 18, 1942, Increase (+) or Decrease (-) Since Feb. 26, 1941. Rows for Bills discounted, U. S. Govt. direct oblig., Indus. adv., etc.

Foreign Money Rates

In London open market discount rates for short bills on Friday were 1 1/32%, as against 1 1/32% on Friday of last week, and 1 1/32-1 1/16% for three months' bills, as against 1 1/32-1 1/16% on Friday of last week. Money on call at London on Friday was 3/4%.

Course of Sterling Exchange

The market for sterling exchange is narrow and transactions are light. The pound is steady around official rates. The range for sterling this week has been between \$4.03 1/4 and \$4.03 3/4 for bankers' sight, compared with a range of between \$4.03 1/4 and \$4.03 3/4 last week. The range for cable transfers has been between \$4.03 1/2 and \$4.04, compared with a range of between \$4.03 1/2 and \$4.04 a week ago.

Official rates quoted by the Bank of England continue unchanged: New York, \$4.02 1/2-\$4.03 1/2; Canada, 4.43-4.47 (Canadian official, 90.09c.-90.91c. per United States dollar); Australia, 3.2150-3.2280; New Zealand, 3.2280-3.2442.

In London exchange is not quoted on Germany, Italy, or any of the invaded European countries. Exchange on China and Japan has been suspended by Government order since July 26. In New York exchange on these countries was similarly suspended, but trading in the Shanghai yuan was resumed on Aug. 4 under special Treasury license.

Following six months of negotiation the Governments of the United States and Great Britain on Feb. 23 signed an agreement undertaking both to continue to supply mutual aid under the Lend-Lease Act and to promote world peace and improved world-wide economic relations after the war. To that end they declared their purpose to participate with "all other countries of like mind" by means of international and domestic measures in the expansion of production, employment, and the exchange and consumption of goods, in the reduction of tariffs and trade barriers, and in the elimination of all forms of discriminatory treatment in international commerce.

The record War Supply Bill of \$32,762,737,000 reported favorably by the Senate Appropriations Committee on Feb. 23 provides funds for the construction of 2,877 cargo ships and equipment for an army of 3,600,000. In addition to the \$5,330,000,000 in direct lend-lease aid voted by the House, another \$95,000,000 is included in

the total for lend-lease and repair purposes. Lend-Lease Administrator Stettinius reported that shipments of \$462,000,000 in January were three times the previous monthly average of \$141,000,000, bringing the total aid under the program to more than \$2,000,000,000. He said that in the next 10 months lend-lease aid will provide a tremendous impetus to the production abroad of military weapons and to the general preparedness of the United Nations. Farm products bought for lend-lease and other distribution were placed by the Department of Agriculture at \$694,000,000 for the period from March 15 to Jan. 31.

The \$142,000,000,000 total thus far appropriated for war purposes from July 1, 1940, to June 30, 1943, amounts to a per capita tax of more than \$1,000. Only \$17,528,000,000, or 12% of the authorized total, had been actually expended as of Jan. 31, 1942, according to War Production Board estimates. The rate of war spending was about \$2,300,000,000 in January and is expected to reach more than \$4,000,000,000 a month eventually. Production results reported by Under-Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson to a Senate Appropriations subcommittee were described by the committee members as most encouraging, indicating that American output is geared to equal the combined Axis production. Senator McKellar, of the Senate Appropriations Committee, said that within two or three months United States airplane production will outstrip that of the Axis powers. Lieut. Gen. Knudsen promised last week that President Roosevelt's goal of 60,000 planes in 1942 will be reached.

Though £1,719,983,063, or 96.3% of the estimated British revenue for the current fiscal year, has already been collected and the total revenue is expected to exceed £2,000,000,000 by March 31, the year's deficit is nevertheless expected to be nearly £2,500,000,000. Subscriptions of £83,000,000 in January to the new issue of government tax reserve certificates are closely reflected in the effective decline in clearing bank deposits which allowing for checks under collection, were approximately £78,000,000 less than in December. Bank deposits invested in British Government securities or money market loans have risen from about 45% just prior to the beginning of the war to an estimated 65% by the end of Jan. 1, 1942.

Last year approximately 65% of the \$11,413,000,000 increase in privately held direct guaranteed United States obligations was absorbed by non-banking lenders, according to the current Federal Reserve Bulletin, thereby limiting inflation of bank credit. During the second half of the year, when private holdings of United States Government securities rose by \$7,886,000,000, the improvement was still greater, as the commercial banks took only \$1,700,000,000, or less than 22% of the increase, while some \$4,300,000,000 was invested largely in defense savings bonds.

While the United States Treasury has been selling some gold, presumably to Latin-American countries with export balances, its present gold stock of \$22,735,000,000 constitutes 80% of the world's monetary supply. A recent study of the balance of international payments of the United States in 1940, by Hal. B. Lary and Paul B. Dickens, shows that from 1935 to 1940 United States gold imports totaled \$14,700,000,000. Apart from gold placed under foreign earmark, \$4,200,000,000 was bought from foreign countries in 1940, \$2,800,000,000 more than was required to meet their current expenditures. This net capital inflow represented mainly refugee funds and was invested largely in securities. British reserves had been depleted by \$2,300,000,000 by the end of 1940 and the 1941 deficit of the sterling area was estimated at \$1,500,000,000. However, Canada supplies \$200,000,000 and the other Empire countries \$640,000, a year to pay for British purchases outside the lend-lease program.

Under a simplified form of freezing control placed in force with the issuance of amended General License No. 42 on Feb. 23, most refugees in the United States, other than nationals of Japan whether they arrive here before or after June 17, 1940, will be able to withdraw their funds freely, but must report to the proper Federal Reserve Bank on Form TFR-42 before effecting any foreign exchange transaction. Accounts of Japanese nationals or concerns previously blocked because of the interest of such individuals remain blocked. Frozen assets owned by Axis agents, foreign governments, or by in-

Condition of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York

The following shows the condition of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York at the close of business Feb. 25, 1942, in comparison with the previous week and the corresponding date last year.

Table with columns: Assets—, Feb. 25, 1942, Feb. 18, 1942, Feb. 26, 1941. Rows include Gold certificates, Notes, Total reserves, Bills discounted, Industrial advances, Bonds, Deposits, Liabilities, and Ratio of total reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined.

* These are certificates given by the United States Treasury for the gold taken over from the Reserve banks when the dollar was, on Jan. 31, 1934, devalued from 100 cents to 59.06 cents, these certificates being worth less to the extent of the difference, the difference itself having been appropriated as profit by the Treasury under the provisions of the Gold Reserve Act of 1934.

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 FEB. 20 TO FEB. 26, 1942, INCLUSIVE

Table with columns: Country and Monetary Unit, Noon Buying Rate for Cable Transfers in New York Value in United States Money (Feb. 20, Feb. 21, Feb. 23, Feb. 24, Feb. 25, Feb. 26). Rows include EUROPE, ASIA, AUSTRALASIA, AFRICA, NORTH AMERICA, SOUTH AMERICA.

* Nominal rate. † No rates available. ‡ Temporarily omitted.

New York Money Rates

Dealing in detail with call loan rates on the Stock Exchange from day to day, 1% was the ruling quotation all through the week for both new loans and renewals. The market for time money continues quiet. Rates continued nominal at 1 1/4% up to 90 days and 1 1/2% for four to six months maturities.

Bankers' Acceptances

The market for prime bankers' acceptances has been very quiet this week with the demand largely in excess of the supply of bills available. Dealers' rates reported by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York for bills up to and including 90 days are 1/2% bid and 7/16 asked; for bills running for four months, 9/16% bid and 1/2% asked; for five and six months, 5/8% bid and 9/16% asked.

Discount Rates of the Federal Reserve Banks

There have been no changes this week in the rediscount rates of the Federal Reserve banks; recent advances on Government obligations are shown in the footnote to the table. The following is the schedule of rates now in effect for the various classes of paper at the different Reserve banks:

Table with columns: Federal Reserve Banks, Rate in Effect, Date, Previous Rate. Rows include Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Cleveland, Richmond, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Minneapolis, Kansas City, Dallas, San Francisco.

*Advances on Government obligations bear a rate of 1%, effective Sept. 1, 1939, Chicago; Sept. 16, 1939, Atlanta, Kansas City and Dallas; Sept. 21, 1939, St. Louis.

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Table with columns: Quotations, Page. Rows include New York Stock Exchange, New York Curb Exchange, Other Stock Exchanges, Unlisted Securities, State and City Department, Bond Proposals and Negotiations, General Corporation and Investment News, Redemption Calls and Sinking Fund Notices, Dividends, Discount Rates of Foreign Central Banks, Weekly Return of Member Banks, Weekly Return of N. Y. City Clearing House, Bankers' Acceptances, New York Money Rates, Foreign Exchange Rates, Foreign Money Rates, The Course of Bank Clearings, Discount Rates of Reserve Banks, Course of Sterling Exchange, Bank of England Statement, Non-Ferrous Metals Market, Condition of N. Y. Reserve Bank, Condition of Federal Reserve Banks, Combined, Individually, Federal Reserve Note Statement, Weekly Federal Reserve Changes, Brokers' Loans, Crude Oil Output, Railroad Earnings for December, London Stock Exchange, English Financial Market, Electric Power Output for Week Ended Feb. 21, Auction Sales, Brokers' Balances.

NEW YORK STOCK RECORD

NEW YORK BOND RECORD

Main table containing stock and bond records with columns for dates, prices, and company names.

For footnotes see page 900.

For footnotes see page 901.

NEW YORK BOND RECORD

NEW YORK STOCK RECORD

Table of New York Bond Record including sections for Bonds, Foreign Govt. & Munic., and Railroad and Industrial Companies. Columns include bond type, date, interest rate, and price.

Table of Low and High Sale Prices for various commodities and goods, listing prices for different days of the week.

Table of New York Stock Record listing various stocks, their exchange rates, and price ranges. Includes sections for Stocks, Exchange, and various company shares.

For footnotes see page 901.

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NEW YORK STOCK RECORD

Table with columns for Low and High Sale Prices (Saturday Feb. 21 to Friday Feb. 27), Sales for the Week, and Stocks (NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE). Includes sub-sections for A, B, C, D, E, and F.

NEW YORK BOND RECORD

Table with columns for Bonds (N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week Ended Feb. 27), Interest, Friday Last Sale Price, Range or Friday's Bid & Asked, and Range Since Jan. 1. Includes sub-sections for A, B, and C.

For footnotes see page 900.

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NEW YORK BOND RECORD

Table of New York Bond Record with columns for Bond Name, Interest, Maturity, and various price/range metrics.

NEW YORK STOCK RECORD

Table of New York Stock Record with columns for Stock Name, Sale Price, and Range Since Jan 1.

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NEW YORK STOCK RECORD

NEW YORK BOND RECORD

Main table containing stock and bond records with columns for date, price, volume, and company names. Includes sub-sections for 'LOW AND HIGH SALE PRICES', 'STOCKS', and 'BONDS'.

For footnotes see page 900.

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NEW YORK BOND RECORD

Table of New York Bond Record. Columns include Bond Description, Interest Rate, Price, and Range Since Jan. 1. Includes sections for J, K, L, and M.

NEW YORK STOCK RECORD

Table of New York Stock Record. Columns include Stock Name, Price, Range Since Jan. 1, and Range for Previous Year (1941). Includes sections for Low and High Sale Prices, Stocks, and various market indicators.

For footnotes see page 901.

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NEW YORK STOCK RECORD

NEW YORK BOND RECORD

Table with columns for 'LOW AND HIGH SALE PRICES' and 'STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE'. It lists various stocks with their prices for the week of Feb 21-27, 1942, and their shares.

Table with columns for 'STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE' and 'Range Since Jan. 1'. It lists various stocks with their price ranges since Jan 1, 1942, and their shares.

Table with columns for 'NEW YORK BOND RECORD' and 'N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE'. It lists various bonds with their prices, interest rates, and other details.

For footnotes see page 900.

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NEW YORK BOND RECORD

Table of New York Bond Record with columns for Bond Name, Interest, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range or Friday's Price, Range Since Jan. 1, and other details.

NEW YORK STOCK RECORD

Table of New York Stock Record with columns for Stock Name, Low and High Sale Prices (Saturday to Friday), Sales for the Week, Range Since Jan. 1, and Range for Previous Year (1941).

For footnotes see page 901.

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NEW YORK STOCK RECORD

NEW YORK BOND RECORD

Table with columns for dates (Saturday Feb. 21 to Friday Feb. 27) and stock prices. Includes sub-sections for 'LOW AND HIGH SALE PRICES' and 'STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE'.

Table of stock prices for various companies, including United Drug Inc., United Dye Wood Corp., and others. Columns include company name, price, and volume.

Table of bond prices for various issues, including Railroad & Indus. Cos. (Con.), and others. Columns include bond name, price, and yield.

*Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. † In receivership. a Def. delivery. n New stock. r Cash sale. x Ex-div. y Ex-rights. ‡ Called for redemption.

NEW YORK BOND RECORD

Table with columns for BONDS, N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE, Week Ended Feb. 27. Includes sub-sections V, W, and Y with various bond listings and prices.

NEW YORK CURB EXCHANGE WEEKLY AND YEARLY RECORD

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

In the following extensive list we furnish a complete record of the transactions on the New York Curb Exchange for the week beginning on Saturday last (Feb. 21, 1942) and ending the present Friday (Feb. 27, 1942).

Large table with columns for STOCKS, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week Shares, Range Since Jan. 1, and various stock listings under sections A, B, and C.

For footnotes see page 904.

NEW YORK CURB EXCHANGE

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

For footnotes see page 904.

NEW YORK CURB EXCHANGE

Main table containing stock market data with columns for Stock Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), and Range Since Jan. 1 (Low, High). The table is organized into sections for different stock categories like Mining, Manufacturing, and various utility stocks.

For footnotes see page 904.

NEW YORK CURB EXCHANGE

Main table containing stock and bond listings under sections V, W, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P. Includes columns for stock/bond name, price, range, and volume.

New York Curb Exchange - Bonds

Detailed table of bond listings under sections A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y. Includes columns for bond name, interest rate, price, range, and volume.

Foreign Governments & Municipalities

Table listing foreign government and municipal bonds, including columns for name, interest rate, price, and range.

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

For footnotes see page 904.

OTHER STOCK EXCHANGES

Baltimore Stock Exchange

Feb. 21 to Feb. 27, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), Range Since Jan. 1 (Low, High). Includes entries like Arundel Corporation, Baltimore Gas & Light, etc.

Boston Stock Exchange

Feb. 21 to Feb. 27, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), Range Since Jan. 1 (Low, High). Includes entries like Amer Tel & Tel, Boston & Albany, Boston Edson, etc.

Chicago Stock Exchange

Feb. 21 to Feb. 27, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), Range Since Jan. 1 (Low, High). Includes entries like Abbott Laboratories, Acme Steel, Adams (J D) Mfg, etc.

Stocks (Continued) Pa

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), Range Since Jan. 1 (Low, High). Includes entries like Consolidated Biscuit, Consolidated Oil Corp, Consumers Co, etc.

Cincinnati Stock Exchange

Feb. 21 to Feb. 27, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), Range Since Jan. 1 (Low, High). Includes entries like Amer Laundry Mach, Champ Paper, Churngold, etc.

Stocks (Continued) Pa

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), Range Since Jan. 1 (Low, High). Includes entries like Cincinnati Street Ry, Cincinnati Telephone, Cinti Union Stk Yards, etc.

Cleveland Stock Exchange

Feb. 21 to Feb. 27, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), Range Since Jan. 1 (Low, High). Includes entries like Akron Brass Mfg, American Coach & Body, City Ice & Fuel, etc.

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Detroit Stock Exchange

Feb. 21 to Feb. 27, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), Range Since Jan. 1 (Low, High). Includes entries like Baldwin Rubber, Briggs Mfg, Brown McLaren, etc.

For footnotes see page 907.

OTHER STOCK EXCHANGES

Los Angeles Stock Exchange

Feb. 21 to Feb. 27, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table of Los Angeles Stock Exchange data including columns for Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range Since Jan. 1.

Philadelphia Stock Exchange

Feb. 21 to Feb. 27, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table of Philadelphia Stock Exchange data including columns for Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range Since Jan. 1.

Pittsburgh Stock Exchange

Feb. 21 to Feb. 27, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table of Pittsburgh Stock Exchange data including columns for Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range Since Jan. 1.

St. Louis Stock Exchange

Feb. 21 to Feb. 27, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table of St. Louis Stock Exchange data including columns for Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range Since Jan. 1.

San Francisco Stock Exchange

Feb. 21 to Feb. 27, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table of San Francisco Stock Exchange data including columns for Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range Since Jan. 1.

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

Table of Stocks (Continued) with columns for Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range Since Jan. 1.

CANADIAN MARKETS -- Listed and Unlisted

Montreal Stock Exchange

Feb. 21 to Feb. 27, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table of Montreal Stock Exchange data including columns for Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range Since Jan. 1.

Table of Canadian Markets data including columns for Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range for Year 1941.

Table of Canadian Markets data including columns for Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range Since Jan. 1.

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CANADIAN MARKETS -- Listed and Unlisted

Main table containing stock market data for Toronto and Montreal, including columns for Stock Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range, Sales for Week, and Range Since Jan. 1.

Toronto Stock Exchange

Feb. 21 to Feb. 27, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

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Feb. 21 to Feb. 27, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Montreal Curb Market

Feb. 21 to Feb. 27, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table containing Montreal Curb Market data, including columns for Stock Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range, Sales for Week, and Range Since Jan. 1.

Toronto Stock Exchange - Curb Section

Feb. 21 to Feb. 27, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists

Table containing Toronto Stock Exchange - Curb Section data, including columns for Stock Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range, Sales for Week, and Range Since Jan. 1.

* No par value. a Odd lot sales. b Ex-stock dividend. c Admitted to unlisted trading privileges. d Deferred delivery. e Formerly the National Bond & Investment Co. f A liquidating dividend of \$18 a share was paid on the common stock of the Nabco Liquidating Co. r Canadian market. s Cash sale - not included in range for year. z Ex-dividend. y Ex-rights. z Listed. + In default.

OVER-THE-COUNTER SECURITIES

Quotations for Friday, Feb. 27

Investing Companies

Table listing various investing companies with columns for Par, Bid, Ask, and company names like Aeronautical Securities, Affiliated Fund Inc., etc.

Table listing over-the-counter securities with columns for Par, Bid, Ask, and company names like Trustee Stand Oil Shares, U S El Lt & Pr Shares A, etc.

Insurance Companies

Table listing insurance companies with columns for Par, Bid, Ask, and company names like Aetna Cas & Surety, Home, Homestead Fire, etc.

Obligations Of Governmental Agencies

Table listing obligations of governmental agencies with columns for Bid, Asked, and company names like Commodity Credit Corp, Federal Home Loan Banks, etc.

New York Bank Stocks

Table listing New York bank stocks with columns for Par, Bid, Ask, and company names like Bank of Manhattan Co, Bank of Yorktown, etc.

Quotations For Recent Bond Issues

Table listing recent bond issues with columns for Bid, Asked, and company names like Alabama Power 3 1/2%, Central Illinois Public Serv, etc.

Quotations For U. S. Treasury Notes

Table listing U.S. Treasury notes with columns for Maturity, Int. Rate, Bid, Asked, and company names like Sept. 15, 1942, Dec. 15, 1942, etc.

United States Treasury Bills

Table listing United States Treasury bills with columns for Bid, Asked, and company names like Apr. 15, 1942, Apr. 22, 1942, etc.

Federal Reserve Reports Brokers' Balances

The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System announced on Feb. 21 that member firms of the New York Stock Exchange carrying margin accounts for customers reported for January a decrease of \$53,000,000 in their customers' debit balances and a decrease of \$60,000,000 in money borrowed by the reporting firms.

A summary of the customers' debit balances and principal related items of the member firms of the New York Stock Exchange that carry margin accounts, together with changes for the month and year ended Jan. 31, 1942, follows:

Table showing ledger balances in millions of dollars for Debit Balances, Credit Balances, and Cash on hand and in banks.

Auction Sales

Table listing auction sales with columns for Share, STOCKS, and BOND, including County Bank & Trust Co., F. H. Smith Co., etc.

Discount Rates of Foreign Central Banks

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

Table listing discount rates of foreign central banks with columns for Country, Rate in Effect, Date, and Previous Rate.

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 Feb. 18.

The condition statement of weekly reporting member banks in 101 leading cities shows the following principal changes for the week ended Feb. 18: Increases of \$126,000,000 in reserve balances with Federal Reserve Banks, \$71,000,000 in balances with domestic banks, \$230,000,000 in demand deposits-adjusted, and \$228,000,000 in deposits credited to domestic banks, and a decrease of \$232,000,000 in United States Government deposits.

Holdings of Treasury bills declined \$27,000,000 in the Chicago district, \$20,000,000 in New York City, and \$34,000,000 at all reporting member banks. Holdings of United States Government bonds increased \$35,000,000 in New York City and \$53,000,000 at all reporting member banks.

Demand deposits-adjusted increased \$61,000,000 in New York City, \$45,000,000 in the Chicago district, \$44,000,000 in the New York district outside of New York City, \$41,000,000 in the Cleveland district, and \$230,000,000 at all reporting member banks.

Deposits credited to domestic banks increased \$99,000,000 in New York City, \$45,000,000 in the Chicago district, and \$228,000,000 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 Feb. 18, 1942, follows:

Table showing assets and liabilities of reporting member banks with columns for Increase (+) or Decrease (-) and company names like Assets—total, Loans and investments—total, etc.

Weekly Statement of Resources and Liabilities of the 12 Federal Reserve Banks at Close of Business Feb. 25, 1942

Table showing resources and liabilities for 12 Federal Reserve Banks (Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Cleveland, Richmond, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Minneapolis, Kansas City, Dallas, San Francisco) as of Feb 25, 1942. Includes sections for ASSETS and LIABILITIES.

Federal Reserve Note Statement

Table showing Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation by Federal Reserve Bank (Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Cleveland, Richmond, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Minneapolis, Kansas City, Dallas, San Francisco) as of Feb 25, 1942.

Bank of England Statement

The statement for the Bank of England for the week ended Feb. 25, shows a gain in notes in circulation of £928,000. Gold holdings of the bank decreased £59,281, so that reserves decreased £988,000.

Following we present a comparison of the different items for several years.

Table titled 'BANK OF ENGLAND'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT' showing circulation, public deposits, and other items from Feb 1942 to Mar 1938.

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

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF WEEKLY REPORTING MEMBER BANKS IN CENTRAL RESERVE CITIES (In Millions of Dollars)

Table showing assets and liabilities of weekly reporting member banks in New York City and Chicago for Feb 25, 1942.

Weekly Return of the New York City Clearing House

The weekly statement issued by the New York City Clearing House on Friday afternoon is given in full below:

Statement of members of the New York City Clearing House Association at close of business Thursday, Feb. 26, 1942:

Table showing clearing house members, capital, surpluses, and deposits for various banks including Bank of N.Y., National City Bank, and others.

Totals 518,661,200 986,605,500 15,992,653,000 735,828,000

*As per official reports: National, Dec. 31, 1941; State, Dec. 31, 1941; trust companies, Dec. 31, 1941.

at the end of the year was \$5,047,880,000, against which there were depreciation and amortization reserves of \$1,444,262,000, or 28.6%.

Over 1,000,000 miles of long distance circuits were added—twice as many as in 1940 and the most ever added in any one year.

An important factor in the ability of the Bell System to add great numbers of long distance circuits to its plant rapidly and without excessive draft upon supplies of copper and other scarce materials has been the large scale application of broad band carrier systems, which provide a great number of telephone channels over a single circuit.

Anticipating the importance of increased transcontinental facilities in the event of war, 60 additional transcontinental circuits, increasing the total by about one-third, were provided prior to Dec. 7th.

Additional transcontinental circuits are now being rushed to completion and it is anticipated that about 36 more will have been made available by the time this report is issued.

Development of coaxial cable, which can carry several hundred telephone conversations simultaneously in two pairs of specially designed conductors, reached the point of regular commercial use when the 200-mile cable of this type between Minneapolis and Stevens Point, Wis., was placed in service in 1941.

The first installation of a newly developed 12-channel radiotelephone system was placed in service across Chesapeake Bay. The land wire circuits follow a circuitous route over 400 miles in length, whereas the direct radio route, including connecting wire lines, is only 30 miles.

Saving Strategic War Materials—The 1941 large construction program was carried on under conditions of increasing difficulty due to the shortage of essential materials.

Also, throughout the Bell System, emergency engineering and operating practices were adopted in 1941 to reduce as far as possible the use of strategic materials.

These necessary changes in design and in engineering and operating practices added to the load at a time when all hands were hard pressed by an unusually large manufacturing and construction program, including much special work for the armed forces and other defense agencies.

Overseas Telephone Service—Overseas telephone traffic, as a whole, continued to grow rapidly during the year despite the decline in European messages due to the war conditions.

During 1941, direct circuits to Europe were in operation with London, Berne, Madrid, Berlin and Rome, and in June direct radiotelephone service was established to Portugal, formerly reached via Madrid.

Aircraft Warning—In co-operation with the Army, extensive communications systems required in defense against enemy air attack were developed and installed during the year.

Financing—In July, 1941, company offered to its stockholders \$233,584,900 of 15-year 3% convertible debenture bonds, convertible into stock after Jan. 1, 1942, at \$140 per share.

Early in 1941, the Bell Telephone Co. of Pennsylvania sold \$20,000,000 first and refunding mortgage 2 1/4% bonds, series D, due in 1976, and retired its \$20,000,000 of 6 1/2% preferred stock.

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co., and the New England Telephone and Telegraph Co., both of which have common stock outstanding in the hands of the public, offered additional shares late in 1941 at par, \$100 per share, for subscription by shareholders in proportion to their holdings.

38.7%. Should the convertible bonds be converted into stock in 1942 at the specified conversion rate of \$140 per share of stock, the debt ratio would then be reduced from 36% to 29.7% and over \$90,000,000 additional would be available to meet 1943 capital requirements.

A strong capital structure can only be maintained if management is able to produce and regulatory authorities permit the return on investment necessary to enable the business to obtain through equity financing much the greater part of the large sums of new money required for additions and extensions of plant to meet the public demand for more and more telephone service.

Taxes—Total taxes of the Bell System Companies, including Western Electric Co. and Bell Telephone Laboratories, for 1941 were \$288,493,000, an increase of \$88,279,000, or 44% over the previous year.

In addition to the taxes paid by the Bell System companies, certain taxes to be borne by the users of the service must be added to all telephone bills and collected by the telephone companies on behalf of the Federal Government.

Stockholders—At the end of 1941, there were 634,151 stockholders of record of the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. This is 3,249 more than at the end of 1940.

Manufacture and Supply—The 1941 sales of Western Electric Co., the manufacturing, purchasing and supply unit of the Bell System, reached a total of \$385,418,000, or nearly 60% in excess of 1940.

Because of Western Electric's experience in the manufacture of communication equipment in large volume, the nation's armed forces called upon it during the year to produce large quantities of special radio and telephone apparatus vital to modern military operations.

Employees—The employees of the Bell System, including the Western Electric Co. and Bell Telephone Laboratories, numbered 379,900 at the end of 1941, an increase of 57,600, or 17.9% over the number at the end of 1940.

The total 1941 payroll of the System, including the Western Electric Co. and the Bell Telephone Laboratories, was \$723,418,000, an increase of \$114,936,000 over 1940.

Investments in Subsidiary Companies and Other Investments
Dec. 31, 1941
Capital Stocks—Notes and Advances

Table with columns: Subsidiary Cos., Par Value of Holdings, % of Total, Book Value, Notes and Advances, and Face Value. Includes entries for New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., New York Tel. Co., New Jersey Bell Tel. Co., Bell Tel. Co. of Pa., Diamond State Tel. Co., Chesapeake & Potomac Tel. Co., etc.

Table with columns: Subsidiary Cos., Total Book Value, and Other Companies. Includes entries for Southern New England Tel. Co., Cincinnati & Suburban Bell Tel. Co., Bell Tel. Co. of Canada, etc.

Table with columns: Stock Sold to This Company, Notes and Advances Repaid, and Total Book Value. Includes entries for New England Tel. & Tel. Co., Chesapeake & Potomac Tel. Co. of Va., Michigan Bell Tel. Co., etc.

Remaining 50% owned by Western Electric Co., Inc. \$Number of shares. \$Notes and advances include real estate mortgages of \$13,100,000, which were paid on Jan. 2, 1942. On that date the corporation sold this company \$12,000,000 par value of common stock for cash at par.

Bell System Income Statement, Years Ended Dec. 31
(Consolidating the accounts of the American Tel. & Tel. Co. and its principal telephone subsidiaries)

Income Statement table with columns for 1941, 1940, 1939, and 1938. Rows include Local service rev., Toll service rev., Misc. revenues, Uncoll. oper. revs., Total oper. rev., Curr. maintenance, Deprec. expense, Traffic expenses, Commercial exps., Operating rents, Gen. & misc. exps., etc.

Table with columns for 1941, 1940, 1939, and 1938. Rows include Total inc. bef. fixed chgs., Int. deductions, Amortiz. of debt disc't & exp. & oth. fixed chgs., Total net inc., Net inc. applic. to stocks of subs. consol. held by public, Net inc. applic. to Amer. Tel. & Tel. Co. stk., Divs. on Am. Tel. & Tel. Co. stk., Balance, surp., No. of shrs. Amer. Tel. & Tel. Co. stock outstdg., Earns. per share, etc.

Table with columns for 1941, 1940, 1939, and 1938. Rows include Net income, Dividends declared, Surplus, No. of shrs. outstdg., Earned per share, Net income of the company by itself, etc.

Table with columns for 1941, 1940, 1939, and 1938. Rows include Total operating revenues, License contract revs., Miscellaneous revenues, Uncollectible oper. revs., Current maintenance, Depreciation expense, Traffic and comm. exps., Prov. for employees' service pensions, etc.

Table with columns for 1941, 1940, 1939, and 1938. Rows include Net operating income, Dividend revenues, Interest revenues, Misc. non-oper. rev., Total net earnings, Interest deductions, Net income, Dividends declared, Surplus, etc.

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Bell System Consolidated Balance Sheet, Dec. 31. Assets—1941 1940 1939. Telephone plant \$5,047,880,351 \$4,747,674,470 \$4,590,509,972...

American Water Works & Electric Co., Inc.—Output— Output of electric energy of the electric properties of this company for the week ending Feb. 21, 1942, totaled 72,279,000 kwh., an increase of 18.06% over the output of 61,224,600 kwh. for the corresponding week of 1941.

American Woolen Co.—Annual Report— President Moses Pendleton, Feb. 20, says in part: Inventories of merchandise, materials and supplies on hand Dec. 31, 1941, totaled \$54,417,883 as compared with \$36,468,850 at the end of 1940.

Consolidated Income Account for Calendar Years. 1941 1940 1939 1938. Sales, less discount and returns \$145,749,428 \$76,560,111 \$64,935,976 \$42,038,076...

Consolidated Balance Sheet, Dec. 31. Assets—1941 1940. Cash in banks and on hand \$8,337,804 \$4,166,220. Accounts receivable, trade, less reserves 20,283,788 14,708,487...

*Obligation of the Pocono Co., a wholly-owned subsidiary. The Textile Realty Co., a wholly-owned subsidiary, holds inactive properties and other assets with an adjusted net book value as of Dec. 31, 1941, of \$3,031,209. The assets are in process of liquidation.

Archer-Daniels-Midland Co.—Earnings— 6 Mos. End. Dec. 31— 1941 1940 1939. Net profit \$2,043,207 \$956,904 \$1,355,330. Earnings per share of common stock \$3.74 \$1.75 \$2.31.

Asbestos Corp., Ltd.—15-Cent Extra Dividend— The directors have declared an extra dividend of 15 cents per share and the regular quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share on the common stock, both payable March 31 to holders of record March 1.

Associated Gas & Electric Co.—Weekly Output— The Atlantic Utility Service Corp. reports that for the week ended Feb. 20, net electric output of the Associated Gas and Electric group was 121,089,313 units (kwh.). This is an increase of 15,663,833 units or 14.9% above production of 105,425,480 units a year ago.

Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Ry.—Carloadings— Santa Fe System carloadings week ending Feb. 21, 1942, were 20,877 compared with 17,959 same week 1941. Received from connections 8,258 compared with 7,311 same week 1941.

Atlantic Coast Line RR.—New Director— Millard F. Jones, Executive Vice-President of the Planters National Bank & Trust Co., Rocky Mount, N. C., has been elected a director, succeeding Frank K. Borden of Goldsboro, N. C.—V. 155, p. 498.

Auburn Central Manufacturing Corp.—To Change Name, Etc.— At the annual meeting to be held March 3 stockholders will vote on changing the corporate name of the corporation to American Central Manufacturing Corp.

It is also proposed that the authorized capital stock will be changed from 25,000 shares of preferred stock (\$50 par) and 500,000 shares of common stock (no par) to 25,000 shares of preferred stock (\$50 par) and 500,000 shares of common stock (par \$1) and shares of common stock now of no par value per share will be exchanged on a share for share basis for shares of common stock of the par value of \$1 per share.

Income Statement, Year Ended Nov. 30, 1941. Gross sales, less returns and allowances \$3,722,940. Cost of goods sold 3,221,842. Gross profit on sales \$501,098.

Balance Sheet, Nov. 30, 1941. Assets—Cash on hand and in banks, \$83,990; notes and accounts receivable—trade (less reserve for doubtful items of \$116,081), \$408,399; accounts receivable, affil. cos., trade, \$99,252; invent., \$738,008; other accounts receivable (net), \$9,046; investments, at cost, \$187,065; fixed assets, less reserves for depreciation of \$1,479,532, \$833,910; patterns, dies, tools and jigs being amortized ratably with production, \$64,535; prepaid expenses and other deferred items, \$23,346; total, \$2,447,551.

Liabilities—Notes payable, \$195,000; accounts payable—trade, \$276,201; accrued liabilities, \$162,154; other accounts payable, \$9,041; reserve, \$13,807; 4% preferred stock (issued and outstanding, 15,402 shares (par \$50), \$770,100; to be issued to creditors of predecessor company—estimated (\$60 shares) \$28,000, \$798,100; common stock, no par (issued and outstanding 209,737 shares, to be issued to creditors and stockholders of predecessor company—estimated 9,445 shares), \$978,397; earned (deficit) at Nov. 30, 1940, \$100,487; profit for year ended Nov. 30, 1941, \$115,338; total, \$2,447,551.—V. 155, p. 819.

Baltimore & Ohio RR.—Carloadings— Wk. End. Same Wk. Same Wk. End. Feb. 21, 1942 1941 1930 1942. Total cars rev. freight loaded 40,014 32,250 39,174 39,253.

Bond Ruling Issued— R. M. Van Sant, Director of Public Relations, in a notice issued Feb. 17, states: "In response to the request of numerous holders of securities of the company, Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Ry. Co. and Cincinnati, Indianapolis & Western RR. Co., which securities were modified pursuant to the readjustment plan of these companies dated Aug. 15, 1938, the Commissioner of Internal Revenue issued a ruling on Feb. 9, 1942, respecting the taxable status of the contingent interest that had accrued on such securities, either at date of modification, or at date of acquisition (this in case of a security bearing contingent interest acquired subsequent to date of modification), when the same is collected."

The Commissioner stated: "The fair market value of the above bonds on the effective date of the exchanges included the right to receive the contingent interest accrued and the subsequent receipt of a part of such interest constitutes a return of a portion of the basis. It is accordingly held that the receipt of the contingent interest accrued to the extent it was accrued when the bonds were acquired either at the time of modification or subsequent thereto constituted a partial return of the investment and was not a collection of the interest within the meaning of taxable income."

Bangor & Aroostook RR.—Earnings— Month of January— 1942 1941 1940 1939. Gross operat. revenues \$659,698 \$553,166 \$556,707 \$575,196. Operating expenses 388,877 358,462 351,413 345,913.

Bartgis Bros. Co.—Annual Report— Years Ended— 1941 1940 1939. Gross sales \$1,290,276 \$927,988 \$954,106. Cost of goods sold 934,011 743,621 748,366.

Balance Sheet, Dec. 31, 1941. Assets—Cash, \$46,737; trade acceptances and accounts receivable (net), \$119,818; inventories, \$85,476; prepaid insurance and taxes, \$2,721; cash surrender value of insurance on life of officer (assigned to bank at Dec. 31, 1941, but subsequently released), \$8,915; property, plant and equipment (excluding machinery and equipment items aggregating \$42,629, some of which may be in use, and related allowance for depreciation provided to the full amount thereof) (net), \$766,427; total, \$1,030,094.

Beech-Nut Packing Co.—Regular Dividend— The directors have declared the regular quarterly dividend of \$1 per share on the common stock, payable April 1 to holders of record March 10.

Bell Aircraft Corp.—Earnings— Calendar Years— 1941 1940 1939. Sales \$46,414,444 \$5,188,001 \$450,438. Cost of goods sold 36,214,870 4,852,498 440,625.

Balance Sheet, Dec. 31. 1941 1940. Cash \$3,085,291 \$9,135,110. Accounts receivable 7,091,757 993,501. Cash surrender value of life insurance 1,460,566 11,928.

Bell Telephone Co. of Canada—Earnings— Calendar Years— 1941 1940 1939 1938. Telephone revenues \$50,710,575 \$45,774,753 \$42,670,866 \$41,167,406. Oper. exp., taxes, etc. 40,418,683 35,795,400 32,049,380 31,238,470.

Comparative Balance Sheet, Dec. 31. 1941 1940. Assets—Fixed capital: Land and buildings, at cost 22,351,607 21,905,014. Telephone plant and equipment 194,302,248 185,527,833.

taxes (after deducting U. S. Treasury notes to be applied in partial payment of Federal income taxes of \$50,000), \$459,678; long-term liabilities, \$625,000; 6% cumulative preferred stock (\$100 par), \$663,700; common stock (92,995 no par shares), \$657,965; earned surplus, \$727,793; surplus from appreciation of fixed assets, \$187,878; total, \$3,505,305.—V. 150, p. 3978.

Holeproof Hosiery Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns for Earnings for the Year Ended Dec. 31, 1941. Rows include Gross profit on sales, Shipping, advertising, selling, office and administrative expenses, Net profit from operations, Total income, Provision for depreciation, Interest paid, Loss on disposal of plant and equipment (net), Net profit before special credit and income taxes, Special credit, Profit, Provision for income taxes, Federal—normal and surtax, Declared value excess profits tax, State, Net profit, Dividends on preferred stock.

Balance Sheet, Dec. 31, 1941

Assets—Cash, \$270,169; due from U. S. Government agency, \$216,619; accounts receivable (net), \$790,140; inventories, \$1,627,964; prepaid expenses and supply inventories, \$50,383; investment, long-term receivables, etc., \$117,024; plant and equipment (net), \$1,298,990; trademarks and patents, \$6,030; goodwill, \$1; total, \$4,377,320. Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$284,707; accrued liabilities, \$157,380; provision for income taxes, \$154,995; 6% preferred stock (\$60 par), \$1,272,540; common stock (70,697 no par shares), \$1,573,282; capital surplus, \$669,104; earned surplus, \$265,312; total, \$4,377,320.—V. 155, p. 52.

(A.) Hollander & Son, Inc.—25-Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 14 to holders of record March 4. Distributions during 1941 were as follows: March 4, June 16 and Sept. 15, 25 cents each; and Dec. 15, 50 cents. The preceding payment was 25 cents per share made on Nov. 15, 1937.—V. 154, p. 1264.

Houdaille-Hershey Corp.—25-Cent Class B Div.—

The directors have declared an interim dividend of 25 cents per share on the class B stock, no par value, payable March 18 to holders of record March 6. Distributions on this issue in 1941 were as follows: March 15, 25 cents; June 25, 50 cents; Oct. 10, 25 cents; and Dec. 20, 50 cents. The directors also declared the regular quarterly dividend of 62½ cents per share on the class A stock, no par value, payable April 1 to holders of record March 20.—V. 154, p. 1378.

Hudson & Manhattan RR.—Income Statement—

Table with columns for 1942, 1941. Rows include Month of January, Gross operating revenue, Operating expenses and taxes, Operating income, Non-operating income, Gross income, Income charges, exclusive of interest on adjustment income bonds, Net income available for interest on adjustment income bonds, Interest on adjustment income bonds at 5%, Deficit.

Hupp Motor Car Corp.—Plan Confirmed—

The reorganization plan for the corporation has been approved by stockholders and confirmed by Federal Judge Frank Picard at Detroit. (For details of plan, see V. 155, p. 503.) Judge Picard appointed as directors the following: Willard E. Rockwell, chairman of Timken-Detroit Axle Co.; F. W. Marschner, western manager of the New Departure division of General Motors Corp.; J. W. Rothmeyer, Detroit consulting engineer; Bigham Elben, attorney, and John E. Murphy, who has been trustee.—V. 155, p. 825.

Huyler's—Control Sold by Schulte—

Virtual control of Huyler's has been acquired from the D. A. Schulte interests by a syndicate headed by Harry O. King, Chairman of the Brookway Motors Co., and R. Emerson Swart, President of R. E. Swart & Co. of New York, investment bankers, for an undisclosed consideration. The syndicate will continue to own the shares, and no public distribution is contemplated. It is said. The entire holdings of D. A. Schulte, Inc., of David A. Schulte, and of closely related interests, have been acquired by the syndicate, which now owns upward of 80,000 common shares out of 210,000 shares issued and outstanding; about 7,000 shares of first preferred stock out of 45,000 shares outstanding, and the entire outstanding 32,500 shares of second preferred stock. All classes of stock have one vote a share, indicating a 42% voting control of the company. Under a voting trust agreement dated Oct. 31, 1940, the entire issue of Huyler's first preferred stock was placed in a five-year voting trust, which was subject to termination after Jan. 1, 1942, upon approval of voting trust certificate holders representing two-thirds of the first preferred shares. A new board of directors was elected Feb. 18, as follows: Winston Paul, Chairman; Charles J. Gregory, President; R. Emerson Swart, Harry O. King, Lucius M. Boomer, President of Hotel Waldorf-Astoria Corp.; Louis Sherry, Inc., and Savarin, Inc.; S. K. Young and Clarence O. Dimmock Jr.—V. 152, p. 1283.

Independent Pneumatic Tool Co.—50-Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 28 to holders of record March 18. Distributions were made during 1941 as follows March 29, 50 cents; July 1 and Oct. 1, 75 cents each, and Dec. 24, \$1. Compare V. 154, p. 1529.

International Minerals & Chemical Corp.—To Merge

International Minerals & Chemical Corp. (N. Y.), and of Union Potash & Chemical Co. (Colo.), in which latter company International has a present cash investment in excess of \$2,600,000, have been called for March 30, to approve the proposed merger of Union Potash & Chemical Co. into International.

International is the country's largest producer of phosphates and is currently adding to its production capacity by the construction of a new mine and plant in Florida, which, in addition to supplanting tonnage from exhausted areas, will include improvements that will increase the efficiency of this operation. The merger of Union, which produces various grades of potash salts, into International would assure to the continuing corporation adequate sources of supply of these necessary basic raw materials.

International is presently engaged in supervising the construction for the Defense Plant Corporation, an agency of the U. S. Government, of a magnesium metal plant at Austin, Texas, and a magnesium chloride plant at Carlsbad, N. M., at a cost of approximately \$18,000,000. Such plants will be owned by Defense Plant Corporation but International will be paid a management fee for supervising con-

struction and operation thereof. The plant at Austin will produce magnesium metal, presently much in demand for the defense program, from magnesium chloride to be derived from waste products from the plant of the Union at Carlsbad and other magnesium ores that are available.

Union Potash commenced production during October, 1940, and it has become apparent that the proposed merger will create certain advantages relating to finance, efficiency and economy of operations, management and process rights. The proposed agreement of merger has been carefully formulated in order to take advantage of possible savings, and the basis for the exchange of securities has been developed in consultation with holders of substantial amounts of the different classes of stock of International.

Under the terms of the merger agreement and certificate of consolidation to be voted upon, holders of the present 7% prior preference cumulative stock (\$100 par) of International, will receive for each share held, including accumulated and unpaid dividends thereon, one full-paid and non-assessable share of 4% cumulative preferred stock (\$100 par), of the continuing corporation, together with 3½ full-paid and non-assessable shares of common stock of the continuing corporation.

Holders of the present common stock (no par), but with a present stated value of \$5 per share, of International will receive for each four shares held one full-paid and non-assessable share of common stock of the continuing corporation (par \$5).

Holders of the 318 outstanding shares of preferred stock (no par) of Union Potash (exclusive of the 78,103 shares of such preferred stock held by International) will receive for each share of preferred stock including accumulated and unpaid dividends and interest thereon, \$25 in cash, plus ¼ of a share of full-paid and non-assessable common stock of the continuing corporation.

Holders of the 18,395 outstanding shares of common stock (par \$1) of Union Potash (exclusive of 315,788 shares of such common stock held by International and of the 231,080 shares held in the treasury of Union Potash and reserved for issuance upon the conversion of outstanding convertible debentures of Union Potash) will receive for each five shares of common stock, four full-paid and non-assessable shares of common stock of the continuing corporation.

The 231,080 shares of common stock of Union Potash held in its treasury and reserved for issuance upon conversion of its convertible debentures will, upon consummation of the merger, be changed into 184,864 full-paid and non-assessable shares of common stock of the continuing corporation on the basis of four shares of common stock of the continuing corporation for each five shares of common stock of Union Potash and such shares will be reserved for issuance upon conversion, on the basis of an initial conversion price of \$8.125 per share, of the convertible debentures of the continuing corporation to be exchanged for the convertible debentures of Union Potash.

No shares of the continuing corporation will be issued with respect to the 78,103 shares of preferred stock and 315,788 shares of common stock of Union Potash presently owned by International, all of which shares of stock will, upon consummation of the merger, be surrendered for retirement and cancellation.

Upon consummation of the merger, the continuing corporation will have an authorized and outstanding issue of 100,000 shares of 4% cumulative preferred stock and an authorized issue of 800,000 shares of common stock, of which 473,981 shares will be outstanding and 184,864 shares reserved for conversion of the convertible debentures of the continuing corporation. The remaining 141,154 authorized but unissued shares of common stock will not be issued without further action on the part of stockholders.

No fractional shares of common stock will be issued, but scrip certificates will be issued in lieu thereof, which, when accompanied by similar scrip certificates in appropriate amounts, will be exchangeable, until April 1, 1944, for full shares and the amount of dividends thereof or paid.

On the basis of the continuance of the present volume of business, and in the event of the consummation of the merger, it is expected that a dividend on the new 4% cumulative preferred stock for the quarter beginning April 1, 1942, will be paid on June 30, 1942.—V. 154, p. 1728.

International Ry. Co., Buffalo, N. Y.—Earnings—

Table with columns for 1941, 1940. Rows include Years Ended Dec. 31, Passenger revenues, Freight revenues, Other revenues, Total, Maintenance, ordinary, Expenditures incident to property retirement in excess of salvage realized, Amount charged to operations as net unaccrued depreciation computed upon term of use of retired properties, Power operation, Conducting transportation, General, including accidents, Taxes, Operating income, Interest, Rentals, taxes, etc., Amortization of discount, Depreciation and amortization of miscellaneous physical property, Income bef. deprec. on rail and bus property, Depreciation on rail and bus property, Deficit.

*Includes estimated Canadian war income tax on the above non-recurring item of interest. †Does not include expenses of \$71,418 incurred on account of Public Service Commission investigation. This amount being held in suspense pending manner of disposition by Public Service Commission.—V. 154, p. 1192.

International Telephone & Telegraph Corp.—Contract

The Federal Telegraph Co. on Feb. 26 announced that it has been awarded the contract to supply the radio equipment on 381 additional ships of the emergency Liberty Fleet. Federal Telegraph is a subsidiary of the International Telephone & Telegraph Corp. and received the original order last year to equip the first 312 Liberty ships as a result of producing equipment of a revolutionary design which has met the Commission's radio performance specifications and, at the same time, cut the installation time on the ships to one-fifth and brought additional savings in materials, labor, and in the precious shipboard space for which the Commission is applying every development the marine industry can produce.

A number of these installations has already been made and have set the general type standard for the radio equipment on the other Liberty ships yet to be constructed. The new contract with Federal is for the same installation which is being made on the first 312 vessels.—V. 155, p. 696.

Interstate Aircraft & Engineering Corp.—Initial Div.

The directors have declared an initial dividend of 50 cents per share, payable March 5 to holders of record Feb. 25.—V. 149, p. 3411.

Jackson Michigan Theatre Bldg. (Bijou Theatrical Enterprise Co. of Mich.)—Bonds Called—

All of the outstanding Jackson Michigan Theatre Bldg. first mortgage 6% gold bonds have been called for redemption as of March 20 at par and interest. Payment will be made at the Central Trust Co., mortgage trustee, 127 East Washtenaw St., Lansing, Mich.—V. 130, p. 475.

Jacobs Aircraft Engine Co.—Initial Dividend, Etc.—

The directors on Feb. 20 declared an initial dividend of 15 cents per share on the outstanding 618,546 shares of no par value common capital stock, payable March 10 to holders of record Feb. 28. Current operations of the company are stated to be substantially in excess of the average for 1941.—V. 155, p. 52.

Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp.—75-Cent Dividend—

A dividend of 75 cents per share has been declared on the common stock, payable April 6 to holders of record March 6. A—similar

distribution was made on Dec. 30, last. In August, a dividend of 60 cents was declared, the first since 1931, but payment was held up by injunction and the dividend was not paid until December (see V. 154, p. 1728).—V. 155, p. 697.

Jaeger Machine Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Table with columns for 1941, 1940, 1939, 1938. Rows include Years End. Nov. 30, Sales, less returns, allowances & discounts, Cost of sales, Sell., gen. & adm. exps., Operating profit, Interest income, etc., Profit, Depreciation, Amort. of devel. exps., Int. paid & other chgs., Prov. for Fed. inc. tax., Prov. for Fed. excess profits tax, Prov. for Fed. surtax, Prov. for contingencies, Net profit for year, Dividends paid, Surplus, Earns. per sh. on com. stock (no par).

Balance Sheet Nov. 30, 1941

Assets—Cash, \$401,203; notes and accounts receivable (net), \$799,887; inventories, \$2,076,462; idle plant and land at Lakewood, Ohio (net), \$182,482; land, buildings, machinery and equipment, etc. (net), \$686,114; patents, \$1; deferred charges, \$35,190; total, \$4,181,340.

Liabilities—Note payable to bank, \$34,000; accounts payable, \$316,092; accrued accounts, \$179,416; provision for Federal taxes on income (after deducting U. S. Treasury tax notes, including accrued interest of \$300,360), \$354,640; reserve for contingencies, \$100,000; common stock (165,768 no par shares), \$1,632,076; capital surplus, \$138,801; earned surplus, \$1,426,316; total, \$4,181,340.—V. 155, p. 697.

Johnson, Stephens & Shinkle Shoe Co. (& Subs.)—

Consolidated Earnings for the Year Ended Nov. 30, 1941

Table with columns for 1941, 1940, 1939. Rows include Net sales of shoes after deduction of returns and allowances, discounts, etc., Cost of shoes sold, Net operating profit, Miscellaneous income (net), Net income before taxes, Provision for Federal and State income and excess profits taxes, Net income, Preferred dividends, Common dividends, Earnings per share.

*After charging operating expenses, maintenance and depreciation of physical properties, selling expenses, general and administrative expenses, and bad debts, less discount on purchases. †On 93,837 shares of common stock, no par value.

Consolidated Balance Sheet, Nov. 30, 1941

Assets—Cash, \$165,420; notes and accounts receivable, \$435,540; inventories, \$1,212,759; prepaid expenses, \$48,298; employees' notes, partially secured, \$6,091; cash surrender value of life insurance, \$16,835; plant and equipment (net), \$491,681; deferred charges, \$29,232; total, \$2,405,856.

Liabilities—notes payable, \$400,000; accounts payable for merchandise, expenses, etc., \$198,170; accrued wages, taxes, etc., \$41,831; provision for Federal and State income and excess profits taxes, \$84,927; reserve for hospitalization, \$3,600; 8% cumulative preferred stock, \$435,900; com. stock (93,837 no par shares), \$399,128; capital surplus, \$84,365; earned surplus, \$757,935; total, \$2,405,856.—V. 154, p. 543.

Keyes Fibre Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns for 1941, 1940, 1939. Rows include Calendar Years, Net profit from manufact'g opers., Other income, Total income, Admin. gen'l and patent expenses, Experimental and development, Interest on notes, Interest and discount on bonds, Prem. paid on redemp. of 6% bonds, Depreciation and amortization, Federal income taxes, General contingent reserve, Net profit.

Balance Sheet, Dec. 31, 1941

Assets—Cash, \$150,964; receivables, \$346,151; inventories, \$575,658; other assets, \$7,180; land, buildings, machinery and equipment (net), \$2,108,332; prepaid expenses, \$44,150; unamortized bond discount and expense, \$78,127; patents (less reserve for amortization), \$177,560; goodwill, \$1; total, \$3,488,124.

Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$118,323; accrued interest, \$16,731; other accruals, \$54,454; provision for 1941 Federal income tax, \$185,108; general contingent reserve, \$24,260; first mortgage sinking fund 4½% bonds, due Oct. 1, 1956, \$1,400,000; pr. pref. stk., \$244,700; preferred stock, class A stock and common stock, \$566,666; surplus, \$877,882; total, \$3,488,124.—V. 154, p. 657.

Keystone Watch Case Corp.—Merger—

A merger of the corporation and its formerly wholly-owned subsidiary, Riverside Metal Co., became effective Jan. 1, 1942, under the name of the latter company. For each share of Keystone Watch there was exchanged under the plan three shares of Riverside Metal stock.

For the year ended Dec. 31, 1941, operations of the two companies showed a net profit, after Federal income and excess profits taxes, of \$619,326 against \$473,632 for preceding year. Provision for Federal taxes amounted to \$625,636 in 1941, compared with \$144,867 in 1940.—V. 154, p. 1379.

Kings County Lighting Co.—Halves Pref. Divs.—

The directors on Feb. 20 declared the following quarterly dividends, all payable April 1 to holders of record March 16: 87½ cents per share on the series B 7% cumulative preferred stock; 75 cents per share on the series C 6% cumulative preferred stock; and 62½ cents per share on the series D 5% cumulative preferred stock. These are half the usual quarterly rates on these issues.

Explaining the reduction, Andrew J. Gonnou, President, stated that impending restrictions on supplies of gas making materials, rising cost of materials and taxes, as well as uncertainties as to the future earnings, indicated such action at this time as a matter of conservative policy.—V. 154, p. 751.

Laclede Gas Light Co.—Earnings—

Table with columns for 1941, 1940, 1939, 1938. Rows include Calendar Years, Operating revenues, Non-operating revenue, Total revenue, Operating expense, Taxes, Maintenance expense, Retirement expense, Operating profit, Deductions from income, Net income.

*Including \$16,096 from an affiliated company. †After deducting refunds to be made. ‡Loss.

A comprehensive plan of reorganization effecting a simplification of the capital structure of the company was filed with the SEC and the Missouri P. S. Commission for their approval.

Briefly, the plan provides for: (1) The transfer by The Laclede Gas Light Co. and Laclede Power & Light Co. to Union Electric Co. of Missouri of the franchise and properties owned or leased by Laclede Power & Light Co.; (2) the payment in cash by The Laclede Gas Light Co. of interest on bonds and notes to the effective date of the plan; (3) the transfer of all the assets remaining, by The Laclede Gas Light Co. to a new company called Laclede Gas Co.; (4) the payment by the Union Electric Co. of Missouri to the new company of the cash consideration agreed upon for the electric properties of Laclede Power & Light Co.; (5) the issuance by the new company to Laclede Power & Light Co. of \$7,000,000 par value of its 5% convertible preferred stock and 130,000 shares of its no par common stock; (6) the issuance and sale by the new company of \$23,000,000 principal amount of 20-year first mortgage 3½% bonds; (7) the delivery to The Laclede Gas Light Co. by the new company of the cash and shares of common stock of the new company required for payment and distribution to holders of outstanding securities of The Laclede Gas Light Co.; (8) the payment by The Laclede Gas Light Co. of \$1,000 cash for each \$1,000 bond and note outstanding; the distribution of five shares of common stock of the new company for the surrender and cancellation of each share of preferred stock of The Laclede Gas Light Co. and 2½ shares of common stock of the new company for the surrender and cancellation of each share of common stock of The Laclede Gas Light Co.

Proposed Capital Structure of New Company

Common stock, no par value (\$14,150 shares).....	\$20,000,000
5% convertible preferred stock, par value \$100.....	7,000,000
20-year first mortgage 3½% bonds.....	23,000,000

Following readjustment of Laclede's financial structure the plan contemplates the acquisition of the assets of the St. Louis County Gas Co. and their integration with Laclede's present system.

Comparative Balance Sheet, Dec. 31

	1941	1940
Assets		
Property, plant and equipment.....	\$57,936,269	\$57,605,228
Special deposits.....	70,987	1,548,472
Investments.....	7,900	7,900
Cash.....	1,664,895	1,232,581
Accounts receivable.....	1,232,932	1,124,298
Unbilled income.....	414,000	366,700
Inventories.....	882,173	874,722
Deferred charges.....	1,197,469	1,335,243
Total	\$63,406,626	\$64,095,145
Liabilities		
Preferred stock.....	\$2,333,000	\$2,500,000
Common stock.....	10,700,000	10,700,000
Funded debt.....	36,000,000	36,000,000
City of St. Louis gross receipts tax.....	729,551	729,551
Accounts payable.....	358,174	330,519
Payroll payables.....	89,308	79,840
Accrued accounts.....	1,162,495	1,080,973
Matured interest.....	41,728	39,911
Consumers' deposits.....	152,855	147,600
Refunds to consumers.....		1,472,399
Reserves.....	1,905,335	1,827,399
Miscellaneous unadjusted credits.....	18,148	18,489
Capital surplus.....	6,225,303	6,152,164
Earned surplus.....	3,690,730	3,015,646
Total	\$63,406,626	\$64,095,145

†After deducting 1,670 shares held by company. ‡Represented by 107,000 shares (\$100 par).—V. 155, p. 697.

(J. A.) Lang & Sons—Extra Distribution of 30-Cents

An extra dividend of 30 cents per share has been declared on the common stock, no par value, in addition to the usual quarterly dividend of 17½ cents per share, both payable April 1 to holders of record March 14. An extra distribution of 12½ cents per share was made on April 1, last year.—V. 152, p. 1595.

Lily-Tulip Cup Corp.—Larger Quarterly Dividend—

The directors have declared a quarterly dividend of 37½ cents per share on the common stock, no par value, payable March 16 to holders of record March 2. Previously, the company paid regular dividends of 30 cents per share each quarter, and, in addition, on Dec. 15, 1941, made an extra distribution of 30 cents per share. (Compare V. 154, p. 1265.)—V. 154, p. 1302.

Liquid Carbonic Co.—Preferred Stock Offered—Public offering of 30,000 shares of 4½% cumulative preferred stock, Series A (par \$100) was made Feb. 25 by an underwriting group headed by Laird, Bissell & Meeds and including Spencer Trask & Co. and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Beane. The stock was priced at \$102.50 per share.

Dividends cumulative from date of issue and payable Q-F (beginning May 1, 1942). Redeemable at option of company in whole or in part at any time upon at least 30 days' prior notice at 107 per share, plus dividends. Redeemable for account of sinking funds at \$103.50 per share, plus dividends. Entitled in preference to common stock to \$107 per share upon voluntary liquidation and to \$100 per share upon involuntary liquidation, plus accumulated dividends in either case. Transfer agents: Bankers Trust Co., New York, and First National Bank, Chicago. Registrars: City Bank Farmers Trust Co., New York, and City National Bank & Trust Co., Chicago.

History and Business—The present company was organized in Delaware July 23, 1926, as successor to a business which was founded in 1888. It has its principal executive office at 3100 South Kedzie Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Business originally consisted solely of the manufacture and sale of carbon dioxide in liquid form, generally known as carbonic gas. Practically the only commercial use for carbonic gas at that time was in the making of carbonated beverages. An expansion of the activities of the company's predecessor carried it into the development and manufacture of equipment necessary in the application and use of carbonic gas at soda fountains and in the manufacture of carbonated beverages. Because carbonic gas is sold in cylinders under high pressure, dependable pressure-reducing regulators were essential for its use, and the predecessor of the company undertook the manufacture of such regulators.

Early in its history the business was enlarged to include the manufacture of flavoring extracts for use at soda fountains and by bottlers of beverages in the making of their products. In 1897, the predecessor of the company began the manufacture of soda fountains. During the next few years, the company's predecessor added bottling machines for the bottling of carbonated beverages to its line of products.

The manufacture and sale of carbon dioxide in solid form (commonly known as "dry ice") has been of commercial significance only since about 1930. Company has been connected with this development, since that time, and has been actively engaged in the direct production and sale of dry ice since 1931.

In 1938, the company began the manufacture of ice cream cabinets, chiefly for sale to ice cream manufacturers, as a supplement to its manufacture of soda fountains.

During March, 1939, the company enlarged its business to include the manufacture of oxygen, acetylene and medical gases, through the purchase of the assets, business and goodwill of Wall Chemicals, Inc. In December, 1940, this new line was extended into Canada by the purchase of the assets, business and goodwill of Wall Chemicals, Ltd. The manufacture of welding and cutting torches and other equipment necessary in the application and use of oxygen and acetylene was started early in 1941.

The business now done by the company and its subsidiaries consists of the manufacture and sale of consumable and of durable products.

Sales for Years Ended Sept. 30 (Incl. Subs.)

	1941	1940	1939	1938
Consumable products.....	\$9,498,003	\$8,075,242	\$7,552,348	\$7,013,094
Durable products:				
Soda fountains and ice cream cabinets.....	7,532,152	5,607,634	4,890,143	4,510,111
Bottling machinery and equipment.....	6,596,254	5,440,779	4,751,749	5,849,714
Total durable products.....	14,128,406	11,048,313	9,641,492	10,350,825
Total net sales.....	\$23,626,409	\$19,123,555	\$17,193,840	\$17,363,919

Net Profits, Years Ended Sept. 30

The consolidated earnings statement submitted below has been compiled (1) for the fiscal years 1937 and 1938 from the annual reports on Form 10-K of the company, and (2) for the fiscal years 1939, 1940 and 1941 from the consolidated statement of profit and loss of the company and its subsidiaries as set forth herein. All of the statements from which the following consolidated earnings statement was compiled were examined by Messrs. Price, Waterhouse & Co. The statement below is submitted solely as a matter of historical record, and the figures for the fiscal years 1939, 1940 and 1941 are subject to, and should be read in conjunction with, the financial statements and the report of Messrs. Price, Waterhouse & Co. as set forth in this prospectus.

		Fed. & Can. inc. & excess profits taxes	Balance of net profit
1937.....	\$2,055,866	\$400,000	\$1,655,866
1938.....	1,530,976	265,000	1,265,976
1939.....	1,427,326	290,000	1,137,326
1940.....	2,091,558	547,000	1,544,558
1941.....	3,127,966	1,000,000	2,127,966

*Before provisions for Federal and Canadian income and excess profits taxes but after deducting provision of \$100,000 for contingencies in fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1940, and appropriation of \$300,000 for possible future loss on inventories in fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1941.

Funded Debt and Capitalization

As of Sept. 30, 1941, the funded debt of the company consisted of promissory notes aggregating \$3,150,000, bearing interest at rates varying from 1¼% to 3% per annum, made by the company to First National Bank, Chicago. These promissory notes mature \$175,000 on April 1 and Oct. 1 in each year beginning April 1, 1942, and ending Oct. 1, 1947, and \$1,050,000 on Oct. 1, 1948. Such promissory notes were originally issued in October, 1940, pursuant to a loan agreement, dated Aug. 15, 1940, between the company and First National Bank, Chicago. Notes aggregating \$350,000 and bearing interest at 1½% per annum have been paid. Loan agreement does not authorize the issuance of additional notes thereunder.

Company intends to apply, concurrently with the delivery of the series A preferred stock now offered, \$700,000 of the net proceeds of such stock in partial prepayment of the promissory note to be due Oct. 1, 1948, in the principal amount of \$1,050,000. Interest at the rate of 3% per annum on the portion of such promissory note prepaid and a prepayment premium amounting to \$3,500 will be paid out of general funds of the company.

As of Sept. 30, 1941, the authorized capital stock consisted of 1,200,000 shares of common stock (no par) of which 728,100 shares were outstanding. Of the authorized but unissued shares of common stock, 471,900 shares at Sept. 30, 1941, were reserved for purchase by officers and employees prior to Dec. 1, 1942, at \$20 per share. Options of four officers and employees for an additional 4,200 shares of common stock expired prior to Sept. 30, 1941, by reason of the death of the option holders; the option of one employee for 600 shares of common stock expired Dec. 1, 1941, for the same reason, and the legal representatives of one other employee who held an option for 600 shares of common stock have until April 15, 1942, before which to exercise such option. Options for such shares (on which options have expired) may in the discretion of the directors be granted to other officers or employees.

The stockholders have adopted an amendment to the certificate of incorporation increasing the authorized capital stock to 1,250,000 shares, consisting of 50,000 shares of preferred stock (par \$100), issuable in series (including the 30,000 shares of series A preferred stock now offered) and 1,200,000 shares of common stock (no par). The directors pursuant to authority given by such amendment will adopt a resolution providing for the issue of the series A preferred stock and prescribing the terms and provisions thereof to the extent permitted by such amendment.

After giving effect to the issuance and sale of 30,000 shares of series A preferred stock and the application of \$700,000 of the proceeds of such sale to the partial prepayment of the note due Oct. 1, 1948, made by the company to First National Bank, Chicago, the funded debt and capitalization will be as follows:

Title of Issue—	Authorized	Outstanding
Promissory notes, maturing serially from April 1, 1942, to Oct. 1, 1948.....	\$2,450,000	\$2,450,000
Preferred stock (par \$100) issuable in series.....	50,000 shs.	30,000 shs.
Common stock (no par).....	1,200,000 shs.	728,100 shs.

Purpose—The estimated net proceeds will be \$2,940,179. Company intends to apply, concurrently with the delivery of the series A preferred stock now offered, \$700,000 of the net proceeds in partial prepayment of the company's promissory note to be due Oct. 1, 1948, in the principal amount of \$1,050,000.

It is impossible to forecast the specific needs of the company both during and after the present emergency. However, from an analysis of the probable needs of the company, in the judgment of the management, it is both necessary and advisable to increase the general resources of the company by the amount of the remainder of net proceeds in order that during such periods the financial requirements of the company may be met and profitable advantage may be taken of the opportunities which the times may present. Accordingly, the remainder of the net proceeds is to be added to and become a part of the general funds of the company.

Underwriters—The names of the principal underwriters and the number of shares to be purchased by each, are as follows:

Shares	Shares
Laird, Bissell & Meeds.....	8,000
Spencer Trask & Co.....	6,000
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Beane.....	6,000
E. H. Rollins & Sons, Inc.....	2,000
Blair, Bonner & Co.....	1,000
Farwell, Chapman & Co.....	1,000
Laurence M. Marks & Co.....	1,000
Smith, Barney & Co.....	5,000

Regular Dividends

The directors have declared the regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the capital stock, payable April 1 to holders of record March 14. On Jan. 5, last, an extra of 25 cents per share was paid in addition to the usual quarterly payment of like amount.—V. 155, p. 738.

Lone Star Cement Corp.—75-Cent Dividend

The directors on Feb. 25 declared a quarterly dividend of 75 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 31 to holders of record March 11. In addition to the four regular quarterly distributions of 75 cents per share made during 1941, the company paid a year-end dividend of \$1 per share on Dec. 23. (See V. 154, p. 1302.)—V. 155, p. 504.

Louisville Transmission Corp.—Registers With SEC

See "Chronicle," Feb. 19, p. 757. The corporation was authorized Feb. 18 by the Kentucky Public Service Commission to seek bids on \$3,850,000 first mortgage sinking fund bonds to finance construction of a transmission line connecting five Midwest utilities with the Tennessee Valley Authority system. The corporation previously had received permission from the Commission to accept a loan of \$3,850,000 from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation at 4½% interest. However, it received permission later to see if it could obtain a loan through brokerage firms at a lower rate. If it is unable to obtain a lower rate it still can accept the RFC offer.

McKesson & Robbins, Inc.—50-Cent Com. Dividend—To Take Action on Common Dividends Semi-Annually Hereafter—New Director

The directors on Feb. 25 declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the new common stock, payable March 20 to holders of record March 6. An initial distribution of 25 cents per share was made on this issue on Dec. 20, 1941.

W. J. Murray, Jr., President, stated that the directors had adopted a policy for the future of considering regular common stock dividend action semi-annually instead of quarterly. The directors also declared the regular quarterly dividend of \$1.31¼ on the 5½% cumulative preferred stock, payable March 15 to holders of record March 6. The board elected George Van Gorder a director to fill the vacancy caused by the death in December of his father, A. H. Van Gorder of Cleveland. The new director has been associated for the past 19 years with McKesson & Robbins, Inc., and predecessor companies. For the past four years he has been a regional Vice-President and since June, 1941, has been in charge of the New York Metropolitan district.—V. 155, p. 827.

Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Co., Ltd.—Earnings

Years Ended Dec. 31—	1941	1940	1939
Operating revenues.....	\$2,709,631	\$2,322,655	\$2,081,066
Operating expenses.....	1,478,436	1,304,819	1,237,311
Net operating revenues.....	\$1,231,195	\$1,017,836	\$843,755
Operating taxes.....	560,055	397,759	230,004
Net operating income.....	\$671,140	\$620,077	\$613,751
Non-operating income.....	4,996	4,074	8,448
Inc. available for fixed charges.....	\$676,136	\$624,151	\$622,200
Interest on funded debt.....	188,750	170,000	170,000
Other interest deductions, &c.....	1,020	5,020	3,291
Amortiza. of disc. on funded debt.....	11,499	11,949	11,949
Net income.....	\$474,867	\$437,182	\$436,959
Dividends paid and payable.....	420,252	411,940	407,780
Balance, net inc. transf. to surplus.....	\$54,615	\$25,242	\$29,179

Balance Sheet Dec. 31, 1941

Assets—Fixed assets, \$12,552,389; cash in banks and with depositaries, \$937,464; Victory loan & provincial (N.S.) guaranteed bonds at cost, \$120,725; working funds etc., at branch offices, \$8,694; due from subsidiaries, \$3,691; accounts receivable (less reserve for doubtful accounts, \$5,081), \$314,854; accrued interest receivable, \$1,368; inventory of materials & supplies at the lower of cost or market as certified by officers of the company, \$348,993; unamortized bond discount & expense, \$108,222; prepayments of taxes, insurance, directory expense, & customer work in progress, \$29,249; total, \$14,425,050.

Liabilities—7% cumulative preference stock (150,000 shares), \$1,500,000; common stock (397,821 shares), \$3,978,210; earned surplus, \$230,868; general mortgage bonds, \$4,500,000; accounts payable, \$146,173; customers' deposits & credit balances, \$3,605; accrued bond interest, \$83,750; accrued income & excess profits taxes, \$375,466; dividends payable on preference stock, \$28,250; dividends payable on common stock, \$89,510; deferred credits, \$57,119; reserves, \$3,434,100; total, \$14,425,050.—V. 155, p. 192.

Maryland Drydock Co.—Earnings

George H. French, President, points out that although the company has been in business for more than 26 years it was not until December, 1941, that the company became publicly owned and that this is the first public annual report to be issued.

Income Account, Years Ended Dec. 31

	1941	1940	1939	1938
Total sales.....	\$16,503,025	\$5,751,688	\$3,271,661	\$3,278,277
Expen. excl. of deprec. 13,713,973	4,348,036	2,756,989	2,766,895	2,766,895
Depreciation.....	53,975	48,832	46,019	45,090
Amort. of emerg. facil. 46,447				
Tax. oth. than inc. tax 378,613	153,724	90,359	86,126	
Exp. on uncomplet. contracts at end of period Cr1,248,861				
Operating profit.....	\$3,558,878	\$1,201,094	\$378,294	\$380,166
Other income.....	46,676	15,967	7,046	7,437
Total.....	\$3,605,554	\$1,217,061	\$385,340	\$387,603
Int. on funded debt.....	20,625			
Amort. of intang. assets 31,000	31,000	31,000	31,000	31,000
Net income before income taxes.....	\$3,553,929	\$1,186,061	\$354,340	\$356,603
Federal income taxes.....	522,500	276,907	63,500	62,000
Federal exc. profits tax 1,837,000	259,747			
Fed. declared value excess profits taxes.....	21,500			
State income tax.....	55,000	18,900	5,600	1,500
Net income.....	\$1,107,929	\$630,507	\$285,240	\$293,103
Preferred dividends.....	104,820	107,828	112,551	115,409
Divs. paid on com. stk. 300,000	180,000	150,000	150,000	150,000
*Earnings per sh. on com. stock.....	\$6.69	\$3.48	\$1.15	\$1.18

*Based on 150,000 shares.

Balance Sheet
 Dec. 31, '41 Sept. 30, '41
 Cash.....\$344,336 \$1,081,177
 Accounts receivable.....3,400,939 1,368,382
 Due from affiliates.....171,612 171,612
 Materials and supplies.....263,325 246,615
 Expenditures on uncompleted contracts.....1,144,659 1,279,709
 Other assets.....60,079 77
 Fixed assets (net).....2,728,945 2,716,970
 Deferred charges.....85,718 78,097
Total.....\$8,028,001 \$6,942,480

Liabilities—

Funded debt due within one year.....	\$150,000	\$150,000
*Cash to be transferred.....	60,000	
Accounts payable.....	557,689	334,672
Dividends payable.....	25,954	70,954
Accrued payroll.....	52,857	169,122
Accrued taxes.....	2,620,250	1,790,495
Accrued interest on funded debt.....	3,750	3,750
Due to affiliates.....	14,265	14,265
Other current and accrued liabilities.....	29,874	97,536
3% notes payable to banks, unsecured.....	600,000	600,000
Reserves.....	161,105	145,504

Liabilities—	
Polycynolders' reserve	\$578,177,202
Polycynolders' funds	145,378,542
Polcy claims	2,002,578
Dividenas to polycynolders	8,722,625
Taxes	2,346,148
Other liabilities	1,017,412
Special reserves: Real estate	6,000,000
Mortgage loans	1,168,880
Surplus	20,343,140
Total	\$765,956,829

—V. 152, p. 1134.

Mergenthaler Linotype Co.—\$1 Dividend—

A div. of \$1 per share has been declared on the common stock, payable March 20 to holders of record March 6. During the year 1941, the following payments were made: July 25, \$1; Sept. 30, \$1.50; and Dec. 23, \$1.50.—V. 154, p. 1494, 1415, 247.

Merrimac Hat Corp.—25-Cent Dividend—

A dividend of 25 cents per share has been declared on the common stock, no par value, payable March 2 to holders of record Feb. 2. During the year 1941, the following payments were made on this issue: March 1, June 2 and Sept. 2, 25 cents each; and Dec. 1, 50 cents.—V. 152, p. 1287.

Mesta Machine Co.—75-Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 75 cents per share on the common stock, payable April 1 to holders of record March 16. A similar distribution was made on this issue on Jan. 2, last. Dividends in 1941 were as follows: Jan. 2, April 1 and July 1, 50 cents each; and Oct. 1, 75 cents.—V. 154, p. 1380.

Metropolitan Edison Co.—Statement of Income—

Years End. Dec. 31—	
Operating revenues—electric	\$13,850,510
Gas	582,033
Steam heating	61,821
Gross operating revenues	\$14,494,065
Operating expenses	5,034,044
Electricity purchased for resale	747,284
Maintenance	941,692
Provision for retirement (depreciation) of fixed capital	1,573,000
Provision for taxes—Federal income	1,273,000
Other	1,160,407
Operating income	\$3,764,636
Other income (net)	1,711,239
Gross income	\$5,475,875
Interest on long-term debt (mortgage bonds)	1,745,543
Amortization of debt discount and expense	133,568
Taxes assumed on interest	87,163
Other interest charges	30,189
Interest charged to construction	Cr106,689
Miscellaneous income deductions	5,707
Net income	\$3,220,117

Including \$706,228 in 1941 and \$623,678 in 1940 from associated companies. Including \$70,756 in 1941 and \$72,796 in 1940 from an associated company. Together with net charge for power received under interchange agreements (including \$636,401 in 1941 and \$596,269 in 1940 from associated companies).

Note—No provision has been considered necessary for excess profits tax, under the Excess Profits Tax Act of 1940, for the periods covered by this statement. Company has joined with others in a consolidated return for the year 1940 which indicated no tax liability. At the present time company plans to join in a consolidated return, and it is estimated that such return for the year 1941 will show no tax liability.—V. 154, p. 960.

Miami Copper Co.—25-Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the capital stock, payable March 13 to holders of record March 2. A distribution of like amount was made on Dec. 17, last year, the first since Dec. 6, 1940, when 25 cents was also paid. A payment of 20 cents per share was also made on March 1, 1940.—V. 154, p. 1192.

Michigan Consolidated Gas Co.—Earnings—

Years Ended Dec. 31—	
Operating revenues	\$24,733,942
Operating expenses and taxes	20,582,799
Net operating income	\$4,151,144
Other income	208,172
Gross income	\$4,359,316
Interest on long-term debt	1,686,767
General interest	38,538
Amortization of debt disc. and exp.	255,038
Miscellaneous other deductions	40,485
Net income	\$2,338,438
6% preferred dividends	120,000
Common dividends	1,784,130
Earns. per share on 358,826 shares of common stock (\$100)	\$6.22

Includes depreciation, maintenance, State, local and Federal taxes and other operating expenses.

Comparative Balance Sheet Dec. 31		
Assets—	1941	1940
Utility plant	\$87,805,408	\$84,250,767
Miscellaneous investments	16,683	16,683
Deferred charges	7,056,848	7,532,336
Cash	2,862,531	3,855,632
Accounts receivable (net)	2,089,965	2,204,266
Materials and supplies	1,477,317	1,162,245
Prepayments	465,159	862,028
Total	\$101,774,910	\$99,893,958
Liabilities—	1941	1940
6% cumulative preferred stock (\$100 par)	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
Common stock (par \$100)	35,682,600	35,682,600
Long-term debt	40,940,000	41,720,000
Deferred credits	139,614	245,386
Customers' deposits, etc.	326,530	330,336
4% serial notes, current	780,000	770,000
Notes payable	912,500	1,222,516
Accounts payable	1,333,438	622,330
Accrued interest	622,330	635,943
Accrued State, local & miscellaneous Fed. taxes	341,245	317,358
Federal income taxes	945,868	921,710
Miscellaneous current liabilities	89,829	74,970
Reserves	12,130,843	11,118,685
Contribution in aid of construction	937,175	640,206
Earned surplus	4,592,837	4,214,247
Total	\$101,774,910	\$99,893,958

Mill Factors Corp.—New President—

William H. Stonaker, Vice-President and Treasurer, has been elected President.—V. 137, p. 326.

Missouri Pacific RR.—Loadings, Week Ended Feb. 21

No. of Cars—	Loaded Locally		Received from		Total	
	1942	1941	1942	1941	1942	1941
Missouri Pacific	18,221	15,725	14,155	10,559	30,376	26,284
Gulf Cst L'nes	4,213	3,501	2,404	1,291	6,617	4,792
Int.-Gr. North	2,093	1,437	2,523	1,974	4,621	3,411

—V. 155, p. 828.

Midvale Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Calendar Years—				
Net earns. from oper.	1941	1940	1939	1938
Owner income	\$11,507,069	\$7,686,678	\$3,278,412	\$2,317,397
Total income	\$11,564,050	\$7,712,737	\$3,318,635	\$2,342,980
Prov. for depreciation	460,000	460,000	460,000	460,000
Prof. partic. off. & empl.	375,000	375,000	289,864	198,770
Prov. for Fed. inc. tax	210,000	190,000	177,000	100,000
Prov. for Fed. inc. tax	\$6,515,000	\$3,460,000	688,000	340,000
Net profit	\$4,004,050	\$3,227,737	\$1,703,771	\$1,244,210
Prov. for war contingen.	700,000			
Bal. trans. to surplus	\$3,304,050	\$3,227,737	\$1,703,771	\$1,244,210
Dividends paid	2,297,402	1,797,875	1,298,414	998,721
Balance, surplus	\$1,006,648	\$1,429,862	\$405,357	\$245,489
Shares of capital stock (no par)	600,000	200,000	200,000	200,000
Earns. per sh. cap. stk.	\$5.51	\$16.14	\$8.52	\$6.22

Consolidated Balance Sheet, Dec. 31

Assets—		
*Property, plant and equipment	1941	1940
Deposits in closed bank	\$6,756,060	\$6,517,927
Special production facilities	2,624	2,624
Cash in banks and on hand	526,895	721,149
Cash advanced	2,428,207	5,332,961
Accounts receivable	1,351,955	2,933,531
Marketable securities	4,073,398	117,898
U. S. Treasury notes, tax series B	3,250,000	38,734
Other U. S. Government securities	38,734	37,000
Inventories	10,774,008	7,258,089
Deferred charges	65,196	37,308
Total	\$29,984,978	\$23,085,283

Consolidated Balance Sheet, Dec. 31

Liabilities—		
Capital stock	1941	1940
Accounts payable	\$10,574,621	\$10,574,621
Advances received on contracts in process	1,212,829	851,257
Accrued liabilities, including prof. partic.	2,566,124	1,442,026
Federal and Pennsylvania income taxes	1,038,669	888,870
Reserves	6,558,000	3,486,845
Surplus	2,999,991	2,112,995
Total	\$29,984,978	\$23,085,283

*After reserve for depreciation of \$6,825,359 in 1941 and \$6,571,094 in 1940. †After reserve. ‡Represented by 600,000 no par shares in 1941 and 200,000 no par shares in 1940. In September, 1941, authorized capital increased from 200,000 shares to 600,000 shares without change in surplus or stated value of stock. On U. S. Navy facilities contract deposited in special bank account.—V. 154, p. 1380.

Monsanto Chemical Co.—Registers With SEC—

Additional financing for company will take the form of a public offering, through Smith, Barney & Co., of 35,000 shares of no par \$4 dividend cumulative preferred stock, series C, it became known Feb. 24 with the filing of a registration statement, with the SEC in Washington. Under an application for acceleration, the offering is expected to be made on or about March 4, subject to the approval of the SEC. The new shares represent an additional amount of the series C preferred stock of which 75,000 shares are already outstanding. According to the registration statement, dividends will accrue on the new stock from the date of issue only, and as the outstanding Series C stock carries the regular dividend from Dec. 1, the new stock, whether listed or not, will have a separate market from that of the outstanding stock until the next dividend date. According to the registration statement, the proceeds will be added to the cash funds of the company, which have been and may be used, among other things, for expenditures for capital additions, replacements and improvements to plants, processes and facilities for the manufacture of new products and to meet increased demands for old products and the continual changes in processes and equipment which are normal in the chemical industry. Expenditures by the company and its domestic subsidiaries for such capital purposes, distributed each year among a large number of separate items, totaled \$5,663,261 during 1937; \$3,163,413 in 1938; \$3,986,587 in 1939; \$7,274,906 in 1940; and \$8,501,012 in 1941.

The last public financing by Monsanto was in March, 1941, when the company sold to the underwriters 75,000 shares of its no par value \$4 series C redeemable and cumulative preferred stock. Company is one of the country's leading manufacturers of chemicals. It produces a widely diversified line of products which are used in many industries, including the pharmaceutical, food, industrial, agricultural and transportation industries. According to the registration statement, sales have materially increased in the past two years, largely as a result of the war in Europe and the defense program in the United States, and while this country's entry into the war is too recent to judge its effect upon the company's business, present estimates do not indicate a decline in sales during the current year. The company cannot determine, for the purpose of such estimates, the precise amount of its total production which may be said to be consumed at present in war and essential civil uses. It believes, however, that the volume thus consumed is so substantial that the effect of war measures such as Government restrictions, requirements, priorities and allocations may be more to change the relative importance of particular products and of consuming industries than to curtail the total volume of products at present manufactured and sold by the company.—V. 153, p. 505.

(The) Montana Power Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Period End. Dec. 31—				
Operating revenues	1941	Month—1940	1941—12 Mos.	1940
Oper. expenses, excl. direct taxes	\$1,648,052	\$1,712,279	\$19,214,450	\$17,615,593
Prov. for Fed. inc. taxes	422,427	570,329	5,749,955	5,308,174
Prov. for Fed. inc. taxes	96,526	178,315	1,427,798	1,199,668
Prov. for Fed. inc. taxes				499,788
Other taxes	287,876	143,562	1,409,541	1,057,837
Property retirement and depl. res. approp.	136,176	137,149	2,157,257	2,057,767
Net oper. revenues	\$1,685	\$154,988	\$1,939,583	\$1,791,865
Other inc. (net)—Dr.	\$536,362	\$567,936	\$6,493,275	\$6,818,291
Gross income	6,270	791	7,926	2,175
Inl. on mortgage bonds	\$520,022	\$567,145	\$5,495,347	\$6,875,106
Interest on debentures	155,501	157,170	1,878,971	1,800,212
Other int. and deducts.	44,125	44,125	529,405	529,405
Interest charged to construction—Cr.	87,750	40,319	570,219	478,533
Net income	\$241,716	\$327,686	\$3,515,202	\$3,023,604
Dividends applic. to pref. stock for the period	6,270	791	7,926	2,175
Balance	\$2,557,768	\$2,966,160		

—V. 155, p. 192.

Montreal Light Heat & Power Consolidated—Annual Report—

Evidencing the extraordinary demands for power for war purposes in the Montreal area, sales of the company in 1941 soared to a new all-time record high level, and the company, it is revealed in the annual financial statement, spent last year over \$4,500,000 additional for new facilities, to bring total capital expenditures during the past two years by the company, out of its own revenues and with no government grants or aid whatsoever, to approximately \$9,000,000, all of which was to provide the heavy amounts of power required by industry to meet the country's war production program.	
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An increase during the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1941, of approximately \$3,000,000 in the company's gross revenues, to total of \$31,118,600, was largely offset by higher taxes which absorbed approximately 24.06% of total revenues from sales of electricity and gas. Referring to the mounting tax burden imposed on the company, John S. Norris, President, in a statement accompanying the financial report, makes clear that these taxes (which totaled \$7,177,818 in 1941 exclusive of \$1,250,000 sales taxes paid on electricity and gas

by the company's customers) are recognized by the company as necessary, particularly in wartime, but he points out that present tax laws are discriminatory, in that customers of publicly-owned utilities are exempted and warns that discriminatory taxation is threatening future status of industrial development in Quebec Province.

"The two central Provinces of Canada—Quebec and Ontario—have always been in friendly yet keen competition for new industry," says Mr. Norris. "Quebec has heretofore been able to hold its own, and directors feel that given equal opportunity the Province will be able to maintain its position but they fear for the future economy of the Province if its industry (through its utilities) has to bear taxes of such magnitude when the industry of its principal competitor—the Province of Ontario—is practically free from such taxation."

Consolidated Income Account for Calendar Years (Company and subsidiaries except Montreal Island Power Co.)

1941		1940		1939		1938	
Gross earnings	\$30,033,079	\$27,084,867	\$25,615,691	\$24,625,834			
Operating expenses	7,926,201	7,758,999	7,406,268	7,370,436			
Taxes	6,733,550	5,925,738	3,824,186	3,526,820			
Depreciation	4,494,940	3,233,279	3,001,083	3,127,569			
Fixed charges	3,128,011	3,366,779	3,366,779	3,145,223			
Balance	\$7,366,110	\$6,879,477	\$8,017,375	\$7,455,280			
Non-oper. revenue	1,085,521	1,067,557	985,698	1,245,056			
Net income	\$8,451,631	\$7,947,034	\$9,003,073	\$8,700,336			
Dividends paid	6,733,550	6,733,550	3,733,772	6,733,772			
Pension fund	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000			
Depreciation (extra)	750,000	750,000	750,000	750,000			
Ins. & conting. reserve	500,000						
Balance, surplus	\$448,081	\$443,439	\$1,499,301	\$1,196,564			
Shs. com stok. outstdg.	4,489,033	4,489,027	4,489,023	4,489,019			
Earned per share	\$1.88	\$1.77	\$2.01	\$2.01			

Consolidated Balance Sheet, Dec. 31

1941		1940	
Assets—			
Fixed assets (net)	\$181,206,281	\$181,671,501	
Interest in affiliated companies	12,319,062	11,998,983	
Guarantee deposits	36,502	49,902	
Cash, call loans	3,576,951	3,228,976	
Government bonds, etc.	\$18,486,341	\$18,375,643	
Accounts receivable	5,324,686	3,023,102	
Inventories	6,044,892	609,891	
Prepaid deferred charges	556,668	473,642	
Total	\$210,311,384	\$209,431,641	

*Including \$497,300 par value of company's own bonds and note certificates. †Quoted market value \$8,075,685. ‡Including \$546,300 par value of company's own bonds and note certificates. §Quoted market value \$3,140,705. ¶Represented by 4,489,033 no par value common shares in 1941 and 4,489,027 no par value common shares in 1940.—V. 155, p. 828.

—V. 155, p. 828.

Mortgage & Real Estate Corp., Chicago—Payment on Account of Principal—Also Interest Payment—

A 5% payment on the original principal of the notes of this corporation and an interest payment on the unpaid balance (6%) of the notes dated Jan. 1, 1936, will be paid on March 10, 1942, to registered owners at the close of business on Feb. 16, 1942.—V. 143, p. 2058.

Mutual Life Insurance Co.—Associate Treasurer—

Vincent F. Lechner, Assistant Treasurer, has been appointed Associate Treasurer of the company, effective immediately.—V. 155, p. 828.

National Malleable & Steel Castings Co.—25-Cent Div.

The directors on Feb. 24 declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the no par value common stock, payable March 21 to holders of record March 6. During 1941, the following distributions were made on this issue: March 22 and June 7, 25 cents each; Sept. 6, 50 cents; and Dec. 27, 75 cents. Compare V. 154, p. 1381.

National Oats Co.—Earnings—

Years End. Dec. 31—				
Oper. prof. & misc. inc.	1941	1940	1939	1938
Deprec. on bldgs., machinery and equip.	\$250,526	\$58,038	\$154,648	\$216,755
Prov. for income tax	31,570	33,380	32,535	32,846
Prov. for income tax	67,497	3,597	19,023	30,438
Net income	\$151,459	\$21,061	\$103,089	\$153,471
Dividends paid (cash)	115,000	100,000	100,000	125,000
Earnings per share on 100,000 shs. cap. stk.	\$1.51	\$0.21	\$1.03	\$1.53

Assets—Cash, \$194,368; Dominion of Canada bonds, \$34,544; customers' accounts receivable (net), \$258,501; advances on purchases of grain and supplies; deposits, and miscellaneous accounts receivable, \$9,297; inventories, \$703,866; prepaid expenses, \$65,328; real estate note receivable (secured), \$178; due from employees, \$9,031; investments, \$9,248; land, buildings, machinery, furniture and fixtures, and automobile equipment (net), \$749,855; total, \$2,033,215.

Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$43,362; accrued payrolls, taxes, and expenses, \$38,680; due to officer and employees, \$1,470; provision for income taxes (after deducting U. S. Treasury notes, tax series B, purchased for payment of Federal taxes in the amount of \$50,000), \$17,497; advertising reserve, \$488; products liability reserve, \$1,743; capital stock (100,

National Surety Corp.—Earnings—

(Including National Surety Marine Insurance Corp.)			
Years Ended Dec. 31—	1941	1940	1939
Net premiums earned.....	\$9,437,450	\$9,087,986	\$9,288,687
Losses and expenses incurred.....	7,544,224	7,337,395	7,606,310
Underwriting profit.....	\$1,893,226	\$1,750,591	\$1,682,377
Int., dividends and rents earned.....	\$1,177,285	\$1,081,086	\$1,030,383
Investment expenses.....	149,162	176,657	187,297
Net investment income earned.....	\$1,028,122	\$904,429	\$843,087
Net realized profit on sales of inv.	1,408	7,850	204,343
Miscellaneous income.....	20,733	12,431	33,963
Net income before provision for.....			
Federal income taxes.....	\$2,943,489	\$2,675,301	\$2,763,770
Net realized loss on sales of invests.	308,862		
Provision for Federal income taxes.....	480,000	430,000	316,000
Net inc. after Federal inc. taxes.....	\$2,154,627	\$2,245,301	\$2,447,770
Net realized prof. on sales of invest.			
& misc. inc. transf. to cap. surp.		84,121	238,306
Prov. for amount approp. and transfer to capital surplus.....	22,141	20,281	
Balance transf. to earned surplus.....	\$2,132,486	\$2,140,898	\$2,209,464
Dividends paid.....	1,000,000	750,000	1,000,000
Consolidation of Balance Sheets—Dec. 31, 1941			
Assets—Cash, \$3,396,300; investment, \$21,243,770; premiums in course of collection, not over 90 days due, \$1,207,173; accrued interest, dividends and rents, \$123,255; reinsurance and other accounts receivable, \$67,640; home office building, \$500,000; total, \$26,538,139.			
Liabilities—Reserve for losses, \$3,627,835; reserve for loss adjustment expenses, \$794,000; reserve for unearned premiums, \$6,095,424; reserve for commissions, expenses and taxes, \$1,560,368; contingency reserve, \$540,858; capital stock (\$10 par), \$2,500,000; surplus, \$11,419,654; total, \$26,538,139.—V. 153, p. 697.			

Naval Stores Holding Co., Inc.—Tenders—

Whitney National Bank, New Orleans, La., trustee, until noon, Feb. 26 was to receive bids for the sale to it of 6½% income debentures dated Nov. 1, 1932, and due Nov. 1, 1942, to an amount sufficient to exhaust \$169,000 at prices not exceeding 100% and interest. All debentures accepted are to be deposited with said trustee by noon of the seventh day following Feb. 26, 1942.—V. 155, p. 54.

(Herman) Nelson Corp.—25-Cent Dividend—

A dividend of 25 cents per share has been declared on the common stock, par \$5, payable March 10 to holders of record Feb. 27. A similar distribution was made on Dec. 5, 1940; none since.—V. 152, p. 2077.

New England Gas & Electric Association—Output—

For the week ended Feb. 20, this association reports electric output of 11,818,522 kwh. This is an increase of 1,307,842 kwh., or 12.44% above production of 10,510,680 kwh. for the corresponding week a year ago. Gas output is reported at 139,132 Mcf., an increase of 14,913 Mcf., or 12.01% above production of 124,219 Mcf. in the corresponding week a year ago.—V. 155, p. 828.

New Orleans & Northeastern RR.—Preliminary Earns.

Calendar Years—			
	1941	1940	
Gross operating revenues.....	\$5,613,872	\$3,359,932	
Total operating expenses.....	2,764,840	2,014,553	
Net revenue from operation.....	\$2,849,032	\$1,345,379	
Taxes.....	1,026,834	388,368	
Equipment and joint facility rents.....	401,399	281,241	
Railway operating income.....	\$1,426,799	\$675,770	
Other income.....	27,256	25,383	
Total gross income.....	\$1,454,055	\$701,153	
Interest and rentals.....	345,956	390,097	
Income over charges.....	\$1,108,099	\$311,055	

—V. 155, p. 541.

New York Air Brake Co.—Earnings—

Calendar Years—				
	1941	1940	1939	1938
Net sales.....	\$14,442,587	\$7,406,663	\$4,268,206	\$1,784,947
Costs & expenses.....	9,624,934	5,070,473	3,306,256	1,894,273
General taxes.....	566,020	295,987		
Depreciation.....	200,768	138,518	135,381	134,434
Amort. of emerg. plant facilities.....	105,103			
Amort. of pats. by sub.	187			
Profit from operations.....	\$3,945,575	\$1,901,685	\$826,569	\$243,760
Other income.....	90,196	100,025	93,995	73,137
Total income.....	\$4,035,771	\$2,001,710	\$920,564	\$317,000
Federal income tax.....	717,000	505,054	172,706	
Fed. exc. profits tax.....	2,009,000	450,000		
Net income.....	\$1,309,771	\$1,046,656	\$747,858	\$170,623
Dividends.....	777,360	647,800	388,680	64,780
Balance surplus.....	\$532,411	\$398,856	\$359,179	\$235,403
Previous surplus.....	1,886,500	1,487,644	1,128,465	1,378,435
Add'l tax. prior years.....				14,566
Surplus Dec. 31.....	\$2,418,911	\$1,886,500	\$1,487,644	\$1,128,465
Earns. per com. share.....	\$5.05	\$4.04	\$2.88	Nil

*Includes subsidiary for the period from April 1, 1941 to Dec. 31, 1941. †Deficit or loss.

Comparative Balance Sheet Dec. 31

	1941	1940
Land, buildings, machinery & equipment.....	\$3,947,299	\$3,478,052
Patents, trade name, etc.....	5,502,709	5,502,709
Cash.....	1,156,961	1,560,363
Marketable securities.....	49,961	49,961
Accounts receivable.....	3,241,388	1,194,669
Capital stock (company).....		39,200
Inventories.....	2,005,920	1,478,528
Miscellaneous accounts & investments.....	16,191	53,429
Beebe Island Water Power, etc.....	1,927,354	1,927,354
Patents & patent rights of subsidiary.....	202,414	
Prepaid expenses, etc.....	216,344	75,106
Total.....	\$18,266,540	\$15,359,371
Liabilities—Common stock.....	\$11,660,400	\$11,700,000
Accounts payable.....	669,824	459,487
Accrued accounts.....	3,272,192	1,101,819
Contingent reserve.....	245,213	211,564
Earned surplus.....	2,418,911	1,886,500
Total.....	\$18,266,540	\$15,359,371

*After depreciation and special reserve of \$3,587,899 in 1941 and \$4,927,681 in 1940. †Represented by 259,120 shares of no par value in 1941 and by 260,000 shares of no par value in 1940. ‡880 shares common stock. †Including subsidiary.—V. 155, p. 193.

New York Power & Light Co.—Transfer of Stock—

See Buffalo, Niagara & Eastern Power Corp. above.—V. 154, p. 1005.

New York Telephone Co.—New Director—

W. Gibbon Carey, Jr., President of the Yale & Towne Manufacturing Co., has been elected a director.—V. 153, p. 828.

New York Central RR.—Carloadings—

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 Railroad, week ended Feb. 21, 1942:—					
	Wk. Ended Feb. 21, 1942		Wk. Ended Feb. 14, 1942		
Loaded.....	44,238	41,971	35,227	44,524	
Received.....	51,947	46,646	38,923	52,072	
Total.....	96,185	88,617	74,155	96,596	
Pittsburgh & Lake Erie—					
Loaded.....	8,238	7,609	5,518	7,849	
Received.....	6,912	6,840	5,378	7,142	
Total.....	15,150	14,449	10,896	14,991	

—V. 155, p. 828.

Niles-Bement-Pond Co.—25-Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the new split-up common stock, no par value, payable March 14 to holders of record March 5. An initial of 50 cents per share was paid on Dec. 12, last, on this issue (compare V. 154, p. 1267).—V. 154, p. 1701.

Norfolk & Western Ry.—Carloadings—

	Feb. 21, 1942	Feb. 22, 1941	—Inc. or Dec. —	Feb. 14, 1942
Cars loaded.....	21,485	22,319	-834	3,74
Received from connec.	6,211	5,769	+442	7.66
Total.....	27,696	28,088	-392	1.40

Year to Year to — Inc. or Dec. — %

	Feb. 21, '42	Feb. 22, '41	— Inc. or Dec. —	%
Cars loaded.....	156,264	160,342	-4,078	2.54
Received from connections.....	45,464	44,671	+793	1.78
Total.....	201,728	205,013	-3,285	1.60

—V. 155, p. 829.

North American Co.—Net of \$1.59 for 1941—

Indicated net income of the company for the year 1941 amounts to \$1.59 per share on 3,572,626 shares of common stock outstanding, according to preliminary figures released Feb. 25. The 1940 figure was equal to \$1.52 per common share. Subject to audit, balance of earnings available for the common stock total \$13,652,489, after all charges and preferred dividends, compared with \$13,071,367 for 1940. These figures are based on dividends actually received by the company and exclude undistributed earnings of subsidiaries.

On the basis of consolidated results, including North American Co. and subsidiaries, indicated earnings available to the common stock amounted to \$16,451,737 for 1941, or \$1.92 per common share, the preliminary report shows. This compares with \$16,495,100, or also \$1.92 a common share, for 1940. Consolidated gross revenues aggregated \$144,647,290 for 1941, an increase of 11.03% over the \$130,274,856 reported for 1940.

The results for the year 1941 include the operations of the same subsidiaries consolidated in 1940. The SEC, under Public Utility Holding Company Act, on Dec. 30, 1941, ordered the liquidation of the North American Light & Power Co. and it will not be consolidated in 1942. For comparison with interim figures already published during 1941, however, the consolidated figures for 1941 include net profits of that company and its subsidiaries applicable to its preferred and common stocks owned by the North American Co. of \$936,088 or 11 cents per share of the North American Co. stock and the results for 1940, \$807,104 and 9 cents per share, respectively.

Total electric output of the North American system, including Potomac Electric Power Co., whose earnings are not consolidated, in 1941 was at a new high record of 9,700,000,000 kwh. hours, as compared with 8,056,000,000 kwh. hours in 1940, an increase of over 20%. Increased production under national defense orders resulted in an increase in sales to industrial customers of over 28%. —V. 155, p. 738.

Northern States Power Co. (Del.)—Weekly Output—

Electric output of the Northern States Power Co. system for the week ended Feb. 21, 1942, totaled 34,950,000 kwh., as compared with 32,350,000 kwh. for the corresponding week last year, an increase of 8.0%.—V. 155, p. 829.

Northwest Bancorporation—Annual Report—

Calendar Years—			
	1941	1940	
Interest accrued.....	\$10,353,131	\$9,829,459	
Other earnings.....	4,180,123	3,900,707	
Total earnings.....	\$14,533,254	\$13,730,166	
Interest paid or accrued.....	839,726	1,035,122	
Salaries.....	4,953,752	4,873,835	
Other expenses.....	3,076,548	2,893,568	
Federal deposit insurance assessment.....	355,317	342,555	
Taxes paid or accrued.....	1,074,084	936,503	
Net earnings.....	\$4,113,827	\$3,648,483	
Profit on securities sold.....	523,414	573,358	
Total income.....	\$4,637,241	\$4,221,841	
Dividends on pref. stock and int. on cap. debts.....		120,752	
Minority interests.....	188,281	146,662	
Provision for losses and depreciation.....	1,197,458	1,102,135	
Consolidated net income.....	\$3,251,503	\$2,852,292	
Dividends paid.....	699,387	311,618	
Shares of capital stock.....	1,552,237	1,556,601	
Earnings per share.....	\$2.09	\$1.83	

Consolidated Balance Sheet, Dec. 31

	1941	1940
Assets—		
Assets of affiliated banks.....	154,210,691	146,266,746
Cash and due from banks.....	134,809,036	118,946,880
U. S. Government obligations.....	44,124,923	46,150,511
Other bonds and securities.....	1,007,900	995,450
Stocks of Federal Reserve banks.....	200,772,384	160,807,602
Loans and discounts.....	4,812,500	4,582,500
Commercial paper.....	95,945	64,496
Overdrafts.....		13,137
Customers' liability on acceptances.....		10,081,262
Bank premises and investments in companies owning bank premises.....	10,081,262	10,636,458
Other real estate.....	71,176	462,190
Interest earned but not collected.....	1,809,449	1,742,298
Other assets.....	204,543	268,380
*Assets of Union Investment Co.....	627,480	893,238
†Assets of Northwest Bancorporation.....	1,442,032	600,203
Total.....	554,069,363	490,431,089
Liabilities—		
Demand deposits.....	403,759,010	342,778,918
Time deposits.....	99,954,086	101,250,812
Letters of credit and acceptances.....		13,137
Interest collected but not earned.....	1,572,863	1,256,277
Other liabilities.....	785,692	199,197
Reserve for interest, taxes and expenses.....	1,611,683	1,416,127
Reserves for contingencies.....		
Affiliated banks.....	2,817,517	1,740,492
Northwest Bancorporation.....	2,718,956	3,080,525
Minority int. in cap. stock & surp. of affiliates.....	1,484,383	1,472,014
Capital and surplus—Northwest Bancorporation.....	39,805,174	37,223,592
Total.....	554,069,363	490,431,089

*And other companies, less reserve, other than cash in affiliated banks included above. †Other than cash in affiliated banks and interest in affiliated banks and companies included above.—V. 154, p. 799.

N. Y. Pa., N. J. Utilities Co.—SEC Issues Order Permitting Declarations to Become Effective—

The SEC on Feb. 13 issued an order permitted to become effective a declaration regarding the following complementary transactions:

As part of a plan for the acquisition by NY PA NJ Utilities Co. of a large amount of its bonds debentures and certain securities of some of the subsidiaries, to facilitate such further steps as may be necessary for it to take to simplify its subholding system, to provide for its funded and other indebtedness, and to reduce the number and amount of cross-holdings of securities among companies in both the NY PA NJ Utilities Co. system and that of Associated Gas and Electric Corp., of which NY PA NJ and Associated Electric Co. are subsidiaries, NY PA NJ Utilities Co. proposes at the present time, in this transaction designated by it as "Transaction K," to transfer and deliver \$3,015,000 of Associated Electric Co. 4½% gold bonds, refunding series, due 1956, now owned by it, to Associated Electric Co., which in turn will acquire them, in exchange for the transfer and delivery to NY PA NJ Utilities Co. by Associated Electric Co. of \$1,356,700 of Mohawk Valley Co. 6% collateral refunding gold bonds, due 1981, together with \$50 in cash, representing an adjustment to the next lowest issuable denomination of said bonds and with a cash adjustment with respect to the accrued interest on the respective securities credited to the respective transfers to the date of closing.—V. 155, p. 193.

O'Brien Gold Mines, Ltd.—3-Cent Dividend—

A dividend of 3 cents per share has been declared on the common stock, par \$1, payable March 23 to holders of record Feb. 28. This compares with 5 cents per share paid on July 31, last year. In 1940 a total of 10 cents was disbursed.—V. 154, p. 1702.

Oklahoma Gas & Electric Co.—Earnings—

Year End, Dec. 31—			
	1941	1940	
Operating revenues.....	\$14,449,281	\$13,665,141	
Operating expenses.....	4,689,231	4,651,350	
Maintenance and repairs.....	719,599	733,820	
Appropriation for retirement reserve.....	1,600,000	1,500,000	
Amortization of limited-term electric investm'ts.....	23,883	25,092	
Taxes (other than income taxes).....	1,592,284	1,496,625	
Provision for Federal and State income taxes.....	1,468,000	704,000	
Net operating income.....	\$4,356,282	\$4,554,253	
Other income (net).....	898	1,029	
Gross income.....	\$4,357,181	\$4,555,282	
Interest on funded debt.....	1,618,083	1,637,083	
Amortization of debt discount and expense.....	264,314	266,272	
Other interest.....	65,654	79,603	
Interest charged to construction.....	Cr9,420	Cr5,532	
Miscellaneous.....	28,861	38,236	
Net income.....	\$2,389,687	\$2,539,618	
Earned surplus, beginning of period.....	1,802,527	1,646,956	
Adjustment of prior years' tax accruals.....	60,000		
Reduction of reserve for doubtful accounts.....	36,000		
Total surplus.....	\$4,288,214	\$4,186,574	
7% cumulative preferred dividends.....	1,025,346	1,025,343	
6% cumulative preferred dividends.....	133,902	133,902	
Common dividends.....	1,151,400	1,151,400	
Amortiz. of elec. plant adjustm. account.....	75,306	56,142	
Premium and expense on debentures retired.....	11,875	14,253	
Miscellaneous charges (net).....	3,635	3,006	
Earned surplus, end of period.....	\$1,886,750	\$1,802,527	

Note—Provision for Federal income taxes for the year ended Dec. 31, 1941, includes \$413,500 for excess profits taxes under the 1941 Revenue Act.—V. 155, p. 365.

Oklahoma Natural Gas Co.—Earnings—

12 Mos. End, Jan. 31—			
	1942	1941	
Operating revenues.....	\$10,256,911	\$9,707,894	
Gross income after retirement reserve accruals.....	3,540,977	3,581,659	
Net income.....	2,676,464	2,717,297	
Earnings per common share (550,000 shares outstanding).....	\$3.79	\$3.86	

—V. 155, p. 640.

1518-20 Locust Street Co.—Interest Payment.—

The directors have declared an interest payment of 2% on the principal amount of the first mortgage 6% income bonds, due March 1, 1953, payable March 2, 1942, to the registered holders as of Feb. 16, 1942. Checks will be mailed by the Pennsylvania Co. for Insurances on Lives & Granting Annuities, Philadelphia, Pa.—V. 120, p. 2618.

Paepcke Corp.—Earnings—

Earnings for the Year Ended Dec. 31, 1941			
Dividends received.....			\$107,693
Miscellaneous income.....			522
Total.....			\$108,215
Loss on sales of securities.....			4,537
Balance.....			\$103,678
Expenses.....			19,842

Consolidated Balance Sheet, Dec. 31

	1941	1940
Assets—		
Cash in banks and on hand	\$7,470,899	\$9,884,208
Time deposits with insurance companies	1,000,000	1,000,000
U. S. Treasury tax notes, series "B"	2,000,000	-----
Other U. S. Government securities	1,549,950	-----
Marketable securities, at cost	511,807	511,807
*Notes and accounts receivable	10,619,394	7,788,808
Inventories, cost	18,969,091	14,818,133
Investments and other assets, at cost	5,752,277	5,595,214
*Property	45,304,005	45,481,478
Leased machinery in process of amortization	382,364	292,086
Licenses, patents and goodwill	729,589	842,292
Deferred charges	3,826,829	2,304,528
Total	\$98,116,186	\$88,518,553

	1941	1940
Liabilities—		
Accounts payable (trade) and accrued expenses	\$5,017,507	\$3,045,235
Customers' credit balances	266,399	180,043
Accrued wages	1,184,299	789,062
Accrued interest on debentures	91,687	114,583
Sinking fund payment due currently	1,000,000	1,000,000
Accrued mortgage bonus	314,125	48,644
Accrued property, sales and other State tax	359,610	363,242
Est. Fed. taxes (inc. cap. stk. and social security taxes)	9,398,785	2,851,951
Long-term debt	7,105,500	9,148,500
Reserve for repairs and contingencies	1,425,169	1,381,809
Deferred income	90,000	120,900
Capital stock (\$12.50 par)	33,265,050	33,265,050
Paid-in surplus	10,698,150	10,698,150
*Earned surplus	27,899,424	25,512,286
Total	\$98,116,186	\$88,518,553

*After reserve for doubtful notes and accounts and for claims and allowances of \$1,290,768 in 1941 and \$1,074,422 in 1940. †After reserves for depreciation and obsolescence of \$34,799,971 in 1941 and \$32,552,134 in 1940.—V. 155, p. 640.

Pacific Coast Ry. (Calif.)—Sale of Properties—
See Port San Luis Transportation Co.—V. 153, p. 699.

Pacific Mills—50-Cent Dividend—
A dividend of 50 cents per share has been declared on the common stock, payable March 10 to holders of record March 3. A distribution of like amount was made on Dec. 29, last, which was the first payment on this issue since Sept. 10, 1937. See V. 154, p. 1632.

Parker-Wolverine Co.—Earnings—

	1941	1940
Calendar Years—		
Net sales	\$3,413,966	\$2,683,405
Cost of products sold	2,888,904	2,303,219
Gross profits	\$525,961	\$380,186
Selling, advertising, admin. & general expenses	189,130	144,907
Operating profit	\$336,831	\$235,279
Other income	3,665	57,605
Total income	\$340,496	\$292,884
Interest paid	-----	1,795
Federal income taxes	86,000	73,090
Federal excess profits tax	64,000	-----
Net profit	\$190,496	\$217,999
Cash dividend paid	135,931	94,300
Stock dividend (12,357 shares of common stock held in treasury)	-----	130,140
Earnings per share of common stock	\$1.40	\$1.60

Note—Provisions for depreciation of buildings, machinery and equipment and for amortization of improvements on leased buildings aggregated \$69,788 in 1941 and \$59,855 in 1940.
Balance Sheet, Dec. 31, 1941

Assets—Demand deposits and cash on hand, \$216,261; notes and accounts receivable (net), \$214,478; inventories, \$201,880; investments and other assets, \$4,126; property, plant and equipment (net), \$548,113; deferred charges, \$26,676; total, \$1,211,534.
Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$112,607; Federal capital stock tax, \$6,600; Federal taxes on income, \$153,427; common stock (135,931 no par shares), \$332,723; capital surplus, \$188,182; earned surplus, \$417,996; total, \$1,211,534.—V. 153, p. 403.

Park & Tilford, Inc.—Subsidiary Buys Distillery—
To meet the increased demand for its domestic whiskies, Park & Tilford Distillers, Inc., a subsidiary, has purchased the Owings Mills, Md., Frank G. Handren, President, announced yesterday. The purchase involved all assets of the company except whisky made by the acquired distillery. Mr. Handren announced also that construction had been started on two warehouses which will add 50% to its storage capacity.—V. 154, p. 1269.

Pennsylvania Electric Co.—Issuance of Securities, Etc.
The SEC on Feb. 20 issued an order granting applications and permitting declarations to become effective covering proposed transactions that are part of a general program:
(1) For the issue and sale by Pennsylvania Electric Co., a subsidiary of Associated Electric Co., a registered holding company, and an indirect subsidiary of the trustees of Associated Gas & Electric Corp., of \$32,500,000 first mortgage bonds, due Jan. 1, 1972, and \$3,400,000 cumulative preferred stock, proceeds of which are to be used in part for the redemption and retirement of the long-term indebtedness and bank loans presently outstanding and to be assumed by Pennsylvania Electric Co.;
(2) For the acquisition by Pennsylvania Electric Co. of the assets of The Clarion River Power Co. and Erie Lighting Co., subsidiaries of Pennsylvania Electric Co., of Associated Maryland Electric Power Corp., Solar Electric Co., Youghiogheny Hydro-Electric Corp., subsidiaries of Associated Electric Co., and of Logan Light, Heat & Power Co., a subsidiary of NY PA NJ Utilities Co., and an indirect subsidiary of the trustees of Associated Gas & Electric Corp.; and
(3) For the reclassification by Pennsylvania Electric Co. of its common stock and the making of certain accounting and other adjustments, including the creation by Pennsylvania Electric Co. of a "reserve for amount in excess of original cost of utility plant," in the amount of \$10,100,046, to be set up by appropriations from earned surplus as at Dec. 31, 1941, and from capital surplus, augmented by transfers from stated capital for common stock.

The proposed program contemplates the refunding of the following debt securities now outstanding in the hands of the public:

Pennsylvania Electric Co. (interest rates from 4% to 6%)	\$27,749,800
Erie Lighting Co. (5%)	4,529,000
Total	\$32,278,800

The refunding program contemplates the issuance of \$32,500,000 of new 30-year first mortgage bonds, \$3,400,000 of new cumulative preferred stock, and \$1,236,254 of \$25 par value new common stock. The company estimates that the proceeds from the sale of the bonds and preferred stock will be \$36,550,000, based upon a price of 102 for the bonds and par for the preferred stock. It is proposed that the proceeds will be used as follows:

Payment of publicly-held bonds of Penelec (including redemption premium)	\$28,946,350
Payment of publicly-held bonds of Erie (including redemption premium)	4,714,500
Call of bank loans of Penelec	225,000
Payment of duplicate interest on bonds	188,000
Payment of expenses, fees, etc.	266,000
Balance to be set aside and used for construction purposes (approximate)	2,210,150
Total	\$36,550,000

In connection with and as a part of the proposed program, Penelec proposes to acquire, subject to all outstanding liabilities and claims, the assets of Erie, Clarion, Logan, Solar, Youghiogheny and Associated Maryland. All of the six latter companies will be dissolved. In consideration for its interests in Solar, Youghiogheny, Associated Maryland

and Logan, Aelee will receive certain additional shares of the common stock of Penelec.

THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTIES

The plan contemplates that the acquisitions will be effected as follows:

- (1) Penelec is to acquire the assets, subject to liabilities, of Clarion, in consideration of a credit in the amount of \$5,184,078 on the open account indebtedness owed Penelec by Clarion. Applicants-declarants have stipulated that the liabilities assumed will include any interest of the publicly-held participating capital stock and that within 20 days after the consummation of the proposed financing Clarion and Penelec will submit a plan in regard to such participating capital stock. Thereafter Clarion will be dissolved.
- (2) Penelec will acquire the assets, subject to liabilities, of Erie in consideration for the surrender or cancellation of the preference and common stock of Erie, held by Penelec. Erie will then be dissolved.
- (3) Penelec will acquire the assets of Logan, subject to liabilities, for cash in the amount of \$25,171, subject to minor adjustments. Logan will then be dissolved and the cash distributed to NY PA NJ.
- (4) Penelec is to acquire the assets, subject to liabilities (exclusive of the open account indebtedness and accrued interest thereon, owing to Aelee), of Solar, issuing in consideration thereof 6,894 shares of the new \$25 par common stock of Penelec.
- (5) Youghiogheny is to acquire the fixed assets of Associated Maryland for cash in the amount of \$48,110, subject to minor adjustments. The cash will be distributed to Aelee, and Associated Maryland will then be dissolved.
- (6) Penelec will acquire from Youghiogheny the fixed assets of Youghiogheny, including the fixed assets of Associated Maryland, in exchange for 184,488 shares of the new \$25 par common stock of Penelec. The common stock of Penelec and assets of Youghiogheny not transferred to Penelec will go to Aelee, and Youghiogheny will then be dissolved.

Through the dissolutions Aelee will acquire 191,382 shares of Penelec's common stock.

The fixed assets of Clarion, Solar and Logan will be acquired by Penelec and the fixed assets of Associated Maryland will be acquired by Youghiogheny, at estimated original cost. The fixed assets of Erie and Youghiogheny will be acquired by Penelec at estimated historical cost and thereafter Penelec will create a reserve on its books to provide for the difference between the estimated historical cost and estimated original cost of all of its fixed property. This reserve will amount to \$10,100,047 and is made up as follows: Penelec, \$8,699,015; Erie, \$1,400,000; Youghiogheny, \$1,032.

Prior to the acquisition of such properties by Penelec all presently known amounts of inflationary items in the fixed capital accounts of all the companies will be written off to either earned or capital surplus. Certain other items of disallowed costs and preliminary survey expenses presently carried as deferred debits will also be written off. The following tabulation sets forth with respect to the various companies a summary of gross fixed assets as at Oct. 31, 1941, showing (a) fixed assets per books, (b) write-ups and other inflationary items to be written off before acquisition of Penelec, (c) pro forma fixed capital after acquisition by Penelec (estimated historical cost), (d) the excess of pro forma fixed capital over original cost thereof, and (e) original cost of fixed capital:

	Fixed Capital and Other Intangibles	Write-ups and Inflationary Items	Fixed Capital After Acquisition	Pro Forma Acquisition Adjustments	Estimated Original Cost
Penelec	\$9,348,082	6,500,000	\$2,848,082	8,699,015	44,149,067
Erie	11,241,732	1,300,000	9,941,732	1,400,000	8,541,732
Clarion	11,460,175	5,568,110	5,891,065	-----	5,891,065
Solar	224,768	(42,000)	266,768	-----	266,768
*Youghiogheny	9,974,752	4,694,953	5,279,799	1,032	5,278,767
Logan	35,894	-----	35,894	-----	35,894
Total	\$92,285,403	18,021,063	74,264,340	10,100,047	64,163,293

*Includes fixed assets of Associated Maryland.
Summarizing the elimination of inflationary items, it will be observed from the foregoing table that the proposed transactions will result in the elimination of items presently carried in property accounts or deferred debits aggregating \$18,021,063. These amounts will be written off by charges either to earned surplus or to capital surplus.

In order to provide for the possible elimination of acquisition adjustments Pennsylvania Electric Co. proposes to create a reserve in the amount of \$10,100,046. This reserve is proposed to be designated as a "reserve for amount in excess of original cost of utility plant." It is proposed that this reserve be carried on the books, pending completion of fixed capital original cost studies and the formulation of a plan for the disposition of the amounts now recorded on its books which are in excess of original cost. Such reserve will be created by appropriations from (a) earned surplus as at Dec. 31, 1941, to the extent of the balance therein at the time of creation of said reserve and (b) capital surplus, which will be augmented by appropriation from stated capital from the shares of new common stock by reduction of the par value from \$25 per share to \$20 per share. Any remaining balance of surplus at the effective date of creating such reserve will be transferred to a special reserve for contingencies.
The plan contemplates the elimination of all securities and open accounts between Pennsylvania Electric Co. and the companies whose assets are being acquired. Provision is made for payment of all outstanding obligations, with the exception of 4,287 shares of participating capital stock of Clarion. On the books of Clarion this stock is junior to a large open account aggregating \$8,065,000, an amount greatly in excess of the book value of Clarion's assets, as adjusted to eliminate inflationary items. The applicants take the position that this stock is subordinate to the open account, is worthless, and should be given no participation. In our order for hearing we directed that consideration be given to the question of whether the facts were such as to require subordination of all or part of the open account to the publicly-held participating capital stock.

Applicants have urged that the financing be permitted to proceed prior to a determination of this question. They have agreed that if the financing program is approved and consummated they will within 20 days thereafter submit additional factual material with reference to the problem involved and submit a plan or program with respect to the rights and interests of the public holders of the participating capital stock. Under all the circumstances we deem it appropriate to reserve jurisdiction for the determination of the rights of such stockholders, and our order will so provide.

NEW COMMON STOCK

- In its proposed plan Penelec proposes the following steps, among others:
(1) To exchange 800,000 shares of the new \$25 par common stock for the 856,873 shares of no par common stock now held by Aelee;
(2) To issue the 159,493 shares of new common stock to Aelee in consideration for the surrender of the \$4,545,700 of bonds of Penelec and Erie now held by Aelee and to issue 85,379 shares of new common to Aelee in cancellation of the \$2,134,490 open account indebtedness of Penelec;
(3) To issue 6,894 shares of the new common stock to Solar and 184,488 shares to Youghiogheny, in consideration of the transfer of the assets of such companies to it, as heretofore discussed. Such 191,382 shares, upon the dissolution of such companies, will go to Aelee, which at such time will have all the outstanding common stock, \$25 par value, of Penelec, totaling 1,236,254 shares.
Prior to settlement with the underwriters or purchasers of the bonds or preferred stock and in connection with its consent to an order to be issued by the Federal Power Commission applicants-declarants will reduce the par value of the new common stock from \$25 per share to \$20 per share for the purpose of setting up a reserve to provide for the acquisition adjustments contained in the fixed property. The effect of the reduction in the par value of the common stock will be reflected on the books of Penelec by a decrease in the stated value from \$30,906,350 to \$24,725,080. Our order will contain an appropriate condition requiring the effectuation of this change in par value.

ACCOUNTING TREATMENT ON BOOKS OF AELEE

The basis for the exchange of bonds of Penelec and Erie and of the open account indebtedness of Penelec owing to Aelee is the book value, on the books of Aelee, of the securities to be surrendered and open account canceled by Aelee. A sufficient number of shares of common stock at \$25 par value will be issued to equal this amount.
As already stated, upon dissolution of Youghiogheny and Solar, Aelee will hold all the outstanding common stock of Penelec. In translating its present investment in Penelec, Erie, Youghiogheny, Solar, Associated Maryland, and indirectly of Clarion, into common stock of Penelec, Aelee will neither gain a profit nor suffer a loss. We will not consider the propriety of this accounting treatment at this time,

in as much as applicants-declarants have agreed this Commission may retain jurisdiction over the accounting entries to be made by Aelee, and we deem it appropriate to do so.

CAPITALIZATION

The following tabulation sets forth the capital structure, including surplus, as at Oct. 31, 1941, of (a) the combined companies per books before adjustment for the elimination of write-ups of \$18,021,063 and acquisition adjustments of \$10,100,046 included in the property account, (b) the combined companies after adjustment for the amounts indicated in (a), and (c) Penelec, on a pro forma basis, giving effect to the property acquisitions and the refinancing.

Capitalization as at Oct. 31, 1941

	Combined Companies per Books Before Eliminations & Adjustments	Combined Companies After Eliminations & Adjustments	Pro-Forma After Eliminations & Adjustments & Refinancing
Long-term debt	\$55,817,855	55,817,855	77.99
Preferred stocks	-----	-----	32,500,000
Participating & preferred stocks	4,468,680	4,468,680	6.24
Total long-term debt and pref. stocks	60,286,535	60,286,535	84.23
Common stock	24,897,680	18,716,410	26.15
Capital surplus	13,266,067	13,105,662	4.33
Earned surplus	1,238,169	4,329,940	6.05
Total common stock and surplus	39,401,916	35,951,272	15.77
Total capitalization	99,688,451	96,237,807	100%

It will be noted from the above that a substantial improvement in the capitalization results from the proposed transactions.
The following is a condensed statement of earnings for the 12 months ended Oct. 31, 1941, (a) for the combined companies and (b) for Penelec, on a pro-forma basis, after giving effect to (1) the proposed property acquisitions and (2) the proposed refinancing:

Pennsylvania Electric Co. and Acquired Companies Combined Statement of Income for Above Companies for the Twelve Months Ended Oct. 31, 1941, per Books, and Pro-Forma Before and After Refinancing.

	Combined Companies per Books	Pro-Forma Before Refinancing	Pro-Forma After Refinancing
Operating revenues—electric	\$12,449,597	\$11,572,634	\$11,572,634
Gas	91,282	91,282	91,282
Steam	325,648	325,648	325,648
Total operating revenues	\$12,866,527	\$11,989,564	\$11,989,564
Operating expenses	3,887,874	3,887,790	3,887,790
Power purchased	908,781	91,902	31,902
Maintenance	818,891	818,891	818,891
Depreciation	1,352,386	1,352,386	1,352,386
Taxes—Federal income and excess profits	764,083	1,005,006	1,232,439
Other	996,560	1,006,547	1,041,425
Total oper. rev. deductions	\$8,728,578	\$8,102,525	\$8,364,835
Income from leased gas plant	\$117,864	\$117,864	\$117,864
Operating income	\$4,255,814	\$4,004,904	\$1,742,593
Total other income	213,136	6,793	6,793
Gross income	\$4,468,950	\$4,011,697	\$3,749,386
Interest on long-term debt	1,807,821	1,594,546	1,056,250
Amortization of debt discount and expense	68,865	62,143	-----
Taxes assumed on interest & other interest charges	89,086	89,086	69,030
Interest on debt to assoc. companies	531,852	-----	-----
Interest charged to construction	Cr46,314	Cr46,314	Cr46,314
Other deductions	10,603	10,603	10,603
Net income	\$2,007,036	\$2,301,632	\$2,659,817

Based on the foregoing, it appears that total fixed charges, including bond interest, will be covered 3.44 times and total fixed charges plus preferred dividend requirements will be covered 2.94 times.

Issues Invitation for Bids for Purchase of Bonds and Preferred Stock—

Bids for the purchase as a whole of an issue of \$32,500,000 of first mortgage bonds due Jan. 1, 1972, and of an issue of 34,000 shares of cumulative preferred stock (\$100 par), or for the purchase as a whole of either the issue of bonds or preferred stock, will be received by the company at Room 2624, 61 Broadway, New York, up to 11 a. m. Eastern Standard [War] Time, on March 2, 1942. Bids for the bonds and for the preferred stock will be considered only from bidders who have received copies of the prospectus and only if made in accordance with and subject to such terms and conditions.—V. 155, p. 266.

Pennsylvania Glass Sand Corp. — 25-Cent Common Dividend—

The directors on Feb. 24 declared a regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, payable April 1 to holders of record March 14. A like amount was paid on this issue on July 1, July 1, Oct. 1 and Dec. 1, last year.—V. 154, p. 1416.

Pennsylvania Water & Power Co. (& Sub.)—Earnings

	1941	1940
Years End. Dec. 31—		
Operating revenues	\$6,461,702	\$6,319,468
Maintenance	307,837	304,128
Power purchased from Safe Harbor Water Power Corp.	951,238	930,519
Interchange power (net)	Cr20,029	25,694
Other operating expenses	1,174,358	1,188,217
Depreciation	558,591	548,565
Federal income tax	414,428	319,882
Other taxes	406,893	384,314
Operating income	\$2,668,385	\$2,614,148
Other income	335,030	420,936
Gross income	\$3,003,416	\$3,035,084
Interest on long-term debt	707,113	766,999
Amortization of debt discount, premium and expense (net)	163,183	134,617
Taxes assumed on interest	-----	21,000
Interest charged to construction	Cr8,817	Cr7,570
Miscellaneous income deductions	29,247	8,537
Net income	\$2,115,601	\$2,115,501
Dividends on \$5 cumulative preferred stock	107,465	107,465
Dividends on common stock	1,719,392	1,719,392
Balance for the year	\$283,833	\$288,644
Earnings per share on common stock	\$4.66	\$4.67

Note—The company's computations indicate no liability for excess profits tax.

Consolidated Balance Sheet, Dec. 31

	1941	1940
Assets—		
Property account	\$38,384,495	\$38,062,102
Materials and supplies	373,668	324,388
Investment securities		

Liabilities—		
Common stock	\$10,868,312	\$10,868,312
Preferred stock	2,130,895	2,130,895
Refunding and collateral 3/4% trust bonds	21,657,000	21,862,000
Accounts payable	360,573	117,882
Matured interest on long-term debt	4,279	4,885
Dividends payable	456,714	456,714
Matured long-term debt	20,260	28,390
Taxes accrued	737,083	931,418
Depreciation	6,829,402	6,440,271
Unamortized premium on debt	298,427	312,560
Reserve for restricted assets	149,186	1,245,322
Accrued interest on bonds	176,390	178,048
Other secured liabilities	9,679	11,557
Reserve for retirement annuities	68,284	152,434
Earned surplus	4,812,280	4,346,803
Total	\$48,578,765	\$49,087,495

Total \$48,578,765 \$49,087,495
 †Represented by 429,848 shares (no par). ‡Represented by 21,493 shares (no par). *Represents certificates for funds in closed or reorganized banks and notes receivable from former fiscal agents—V. 154, p. 963.

Pennsylvania Salt Mfg. Co.—\$2 Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of \$2 per share on the common stock, par \$50, payable March 14 to holders of record Feb. 27. Dividends paid during 1941 were as follows: March 15, \$2; June 13, \$2.25; Sept. 15, \$1.75, and Dec. 15, \$2 (compare V. 154, p. 1495).—V. 155, p. 159.

Peoples Gas Light & Coke Co.—\$1 Dividend—

A dividend of \$1 per share has been declared on the common stock payable April 15 to holders of record March 21. A similar distribution was made on Jan. 15 last. During 1941, the following payments were made on the common stock: Jan. 15, 50 cents; Feb. 15, special of \$2; April 15 and July 15, 75 cents each; and Oct. 15, \$1.—V. 155, p. 606.

Pepperell Mfg. Co.—Plans Laboratory—

According to a dispatch from Biddeford, Me., the company announces construction plans for a large new laboratory, to be one of the most modern of its type in New England, for the chemical and physical tests departments.—V. 155, p. 606.

Pere Marquette Ry.—Earnings—

Month of January—	1942	1941
Total operating revenues	\$3,180,644	\$3,124,078
Total operating expenses	2,513,718	2,158,710
Net operating revenue	\$666,926	\$965,367
Railway tax accruals	269,257	288,483
Operating income	\$397,668	\$676,884
Equipment rents (net)	3,623	81,626
Joint facility rents (net)	67,726	58,486
Net railway operating income	\$326,319	\$536,773
Dividend income	2,264	4,198
Other income	119,093	110,818
Total income	\$447,676	\$651,788
Miscellaneous deductions from income	5,950	5,205
Income available for fixed charges	\$441,725	\$646,583
Rent for leased roads and equipment	7,541	7,521
Interest on debt	271,215	267,319
Net income	\$162,969	\$371,743

—V. 155, p. 507.

Philadelphia Dairy Products Co.—To Vote on Amendments—

The stockholders at their annual meeting, March 24, will be asked to vote on a series of amendments to the company's articles of incorporation which, if approved, would remove many of the restrictions that have hampered normal corporate action, the company states. The proposed amendments would allow the board of directors to issue at its discretion such first and second preferred shares of the corporation which were authorized but unused under the plan of reorganization, without obtaining further stockholder approval. Affected by the change are 1,055 first preferred and 5,822 second preferred shares. The amendments also would reduce percentage of stockholders' approval required for amendments to charter affecting stockholders' rights from 80% to a majority, eliminate the requirement that stockholders' approval be obtained for creation of indebtedness maturing in more than one year, and permit the company with approval of two-thirds of board to acquire indebtedness of a subsidiary at not more than fair market value, even though fair market value may exceed face value.—V. 154, p. 1057.

Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.—Appointments—

The appointment of M. E. Carlisle as General Purchasing Agent, succeeding J. A. Bechtel, was announced on Feb. 23 by R. L. Clause, President. Other changes in the purchasing department included the appointment of Homer M. Hoffman as Purchasing Agent, glass division, and E. J. Peters as Purchasing Agent, paint division.—V. 155, p. 266.

Pittsburgh Steel Co.—Extends Exchange Privilege to May 29—

The directors have extended to the close of business May 29 the termination of the exchange privilege offered to holders of the Class B 7% preferred stock, which was to expire on Feb. 28. The exchange offer provides that each holder of the Class B preferred may exchange one share for four-tenths of a share of prior preferred, first series 5 1/2%, and one share of Class A 5% preferred stock.

Listing—

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of \$2,000,000 first mortgage bonds, series B, 4 1/2%, due 1950, all of which are issued and outstanding.—V. 155, p. 606.

Plymouth Oil Co.—30-Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared the regular quarterly dividend of 30 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 31 to holders of record March 10. A 1 1/2% stock dividend was paid on Dec. 23, last, in addition to the usual quarterly payment of 30 cents (see V. 154, p. 1495).—V. 154, p. 1632.

Port San Luis Transportation Co.—Purchase, Operation, and Stock—

The ICC on Feb. 7 authorized the purchase and operation by the company of the properties of the Pacific Coast Railway and granted the company authority to issue not exceeding \$30,000 of common stock (par \$100), such stock to be delivered to the persons indicated in the report in the proportions shown therein, in satisfaction of cash advances of like amounts made by them to enable the company to purchase and rehabilitate the properties now owned by the Pacific Coast Railway and for working capital.

The report of the Commission says in part: The applicant was incorporated in California July 31, 1941, with an authorized common stock of 10,000 shares (par \$100) for the purpose of acquiring and operating the properties in question. The entire capital stock of the Pacific Coast is owned by the Pacific Coast Co. The former's line of railroad extends from San Luis Obispo to Port San Luis, approximately 12 miles, in San Luis Obispo County, Calif. The line is a narrow-gauge railroad. At San Luis Obispo it extends into the yards of the Southern Pacific Co., but the difference in gauge prevents interchange of cars. However, freight is interchanged between narrow and broad-gauge cars, usually across a platform. The section of line from Avila, a village of about 500 inhabitants, to the port, approximately 2 miles, is not in useable con-

dition, high seas having undermined the supporting foundations, causing the tracks to sag and remain without support for rolling stock. The remainder of the line can be used, but it is in such poor condition that it is unsafe for operation of power heavier than a gasoline locomotive. The holding company over a period of years has been disposing of its Pacific Coast properties. Upon disposition of the remainder of the properties the Pacific Coast will be dissolved and its stock canceled. The purchase and sale will be consummated pursuant to the provisions of a contract, dated Oct. 31, 1941, entered into between the applicant and the Pacific Coast, under which a cash consideration of \$13,515 is given as the sale price of the properties, except rolling stock for which the sale price is a cash consideration of \$3,750. The rolling stock consists of 2 locomotives, 3 tank cars, 17 gondolas, 15 flat cars, 15 box cars, 2 tool cars, 1 pile driver, 2 cabooses, and 1 combination passenger and baggage car, all described as in fairly good shape. The sale price of the railroad, equipment, and appurtenances, including tools and miscellaneous property, aggregates \$17,265, and is based on the salvage value of the properties at the time the agreement was entered into, which was somewhat lower than present prices. The sale involves all the right, title, and interest of the Pacific Coast in the properties described, which, with the exception of certain small parcels of nonoperating property not included therein, constitutes the last step in disposing of the assets of the Pacific Coast. The noncarrier property not included in the sale will be transferred to the holding company.

In addition to requesting authority to issue the stock to purchase the railroad properties described, the applicant requests authority to issue the stock in the amount of \$12,735 for working capital. At the hearing it developed that approximately \$7,500 of this amount would be used for rehabilitation and the remaining amount will be used for working capital.

Portuguese-American Tin Co.—Dividend Ruling—

The Uniform Practice Committee of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., District No. 13, announces: "We have this day received notice that the company, at a special meeting held Feb. 14, 1942, declared a dividend of \$10 per share, payable on Feb. 24 to holders of record on Feb. 14, at 12 o'clock noon. There having been no prior notice of this dividend, transactions in this stock between members in District No. 13 shall be 'ex' this dividend on and after Wednesday, Feb. 18. "Unless otherwise specified at the time of contract, transactions made on or before Feb. 17 shall carry the dividend payable Feb. 24, and deliveries made on or after Feb. 17 in settlement of contracts entered into on or before Feb. 17 shall carry due bills."

Pratt & Lambert, Inc.—50-Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock, no par value, payable April 1 to holders of record March 14. A distribution of like amount was made on April 1, July 1, Oct. 1 and Dec. 24, last year.—V. 154, p. 1495.

Pullman, Inc.—Dividend of 25 Cents—

The directors have declared the regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 16 to holders of record Feb. 27. An extra of 75 cents per share was paid on Sept. 15 and Dec. 15, last.—V. 155, p. 830.

Radio Corp. of America—Opens Radiotelegraph Circuit Between United States and New Zealand—

Further strengthening the radio life-line of communication between the United States and Australasia, a new direct radiotelegraph circuit has been opened by R. C. A. Communications, Inc., linking San Francisco with Wellington, New Zealand. This is the first time that direct radio communication has been established between this country and New Zealand, it was announced on Feb. 21. Previously, radiotelegraph traffic from the United States to New Zealand has been handled by RCA's direct circuit to Australia, from where the messages were relayed to New Zealand. Delays caused by the necessity of relay will be eliminated by the new 6,000-mile circuit, which becomes the 51st RCA circuit for direct communication with other countries. The terminal station at Wellington will be operated by the New Zealand Government Telegraph Administration.—V. 155, p. 698.

Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc.—Earnings—

(Including Domestic Subsidiaries)			
Calendar Years—	1941	1940	
*Net income	\$2,053,037	\$1,696,926	
Earnings per share of common stock	\$3.27	\$2.70	

*After depreciation, Federal income and excess profits taxes, and provision for post-war adjustments and other contingencies.—V. 155, p. 830.

Reading Co.—Earnings—

Month Ended Jan. 31—	1942	1941	
Total railway operating revenues	\$6,989,975	\$6,560,858	
Total railway operating expenses	5,124,787	4,728,045	
Net revenue from railway operations	\$1,865,188	\$1,832,813	
Railway tax accruals	782,500	639,915	
Railway operating income	\$1,082,688	\$1,192,898	
Equipment rents—net (debit)	103,228	175,977	
Joint facility rents—net (debit)	29,568	4,048	
Net railway operating income	\$949,892	\$1,012,873	

—V. 155, p. 55.

Reliance Electric & Engineering Co.—Preferred Stock Offered—An issue of 7,500 shares of \$5 cumulative convertible preferred (no par) was offered Feb. 17 at 98 and dividend.

Hayden, Miller & Co. headed the underwriting group which included Hawley, Shepard & Co., Otis & Co., Maynard H. Murch & Co., Merrill, Turben & Co. and Curtiss, House & Co., all of Cleveland.

Proceeds of the issue will be used for additional working capital. Company, organized in 1907, manufactures electric motors, generators, motor-generator sets, mine motors, etc.—V. 155, p. 607.

Reliable Stores Corp.—1941 Net Up—

(Including subsidiaries, but excluding Frank Corp.'s share of earnings)		
Calendar Years—	1941	1940
Net sales	\$13,101,640	\$10,763,534
*Consolidated profit	1,917,088	978,642
†Net profit	759,416	686,791
Earnings per common share	\$2.05	\$1.75

*Before making provision for Federal income and excess profits taxes. †After provision for Federal income and excess profits taxes. Note.—Provision for Federal income and excess profits taxes totaled \$1,150,769 for 1941, compared with only \$287,958 for 1940, an increase of approximately 300%.—V. 154, p. 1702.

Remington Rand, Inc.—20-Cent Year-End Dividend—

A year-end dividend of 20 cents per share has been declared on the common stock, payable April 1 to holders of record March 10. On Jan. 2, last, an interim dividend of 25 cents per share was paid, as compared with 20 cents per share in preceding quarters.—V. 155, p. 542.

Republic Aviation Corp.—Assistant To President—

Alfred Marche, of Chicago, an industrial executive, has been made Assistant to the President of this corporation. Ralph S. Damon, President, announced. To take the post, Mr. Marche resigned as chief engineer, works manager and director of the Signode Steel Strapping Co.—V. 155, p. 160.

Republic Drill & Tool Co., Chic.—Registers with SEC

The company on Feb. 24 filed a registration statement (No. 2-4950, Form A1) with the SEC for: 125,000 shares of 55-cent cumulative convertible preferred stock, \$1 par; option warrants to purchase

62,500 shares of \$1 par common stock; 125,000 shares \$1 par common stock, reserved for issuance upon conversion of the preferred stock, and 62,500 shares \$1 par common stock reserved for the option warrants. Craigmyle, Rogers & Co. are named as sole underwriter. The 125,000 shares of preferred stock will be offered to the public at \$5 per share; provision is made, however, that the initial offering price may be reduced to net less than \$4 per share. The option warrants, above mentioned, are to be issued to the underwriter as additional compensation. If the underwriter exercises the warrants, the shares of common stock covered by such warrants may be offered to the public; details of such public offering, if any, will be supplied by amendment. Proceeds will be used to purchase machinery and equipment, and for working capital.

Revere Copper & Brass, Inc.—Reduces Accumulations

The directors have declared a dividend of \$5.25 per share on the 5 1/4% cumulative preferred stock, clearing up all accruals on this issue, and a dividend of \$7 per share on the 7% cumulative preferred stock on account of accumulations on that issue, both payable April 1 to holders of record March 10. Accruals on the latter issue will be reduced to \$33.25 per share. The directors also declared the regular quarterly dividends of \$1.31 1/4 per share on the 5 1/4% preferred and \$1.75 on the 7% preferred stock, both payable May 1 to holders of record April 10. Similar payments were made on Feb. 2, last.—V. 155, p. 403.

Riverside Metal Co.—Keystone Watch Case Merges Subsidiary and Adopts New Name—
See Keystone Watch Case Corp.

(H. H.) Robertson & Co.—Extra Distribution—

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 12 1/2 cents per share and the regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, both payable March 14 to holders of record Feb. 28. Extra distributions of 25 cents each were made on June 16 and Dec. 15, last year.—V. 152, p. 3604; V. 151, p. 3100.

Rockwood & Co.—Accumulated Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of \$1.25 per share on account of accumulations on the 5% cumulative preferred stock, payable Feb. 28 to holders of record Feb. 17. Similar distributions were made on this issue on March 3, June 2, Sept. 2, Oct. 15 and Dec. 1, last year, making total paid in 1941 \$6.25 per share, as against \$2.50 in 1940.—V. 154, p. 696.

Rohr Aircraft Corp.—Initial Dividend—New Director, Etc.—

The directors have declared an initial dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, par \$1, payable March 10 to holders of record Feb. 23 (see offering in V. 154, p. 1416). Frank H. Nottbusch, General Counsel for the company, has been elected to the board of directors to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of E. P. Campbell. Guy M. Harrington, who has been actively associated with the company since its inception, has been elected Secretary and Assistant Treasurer.—V. 155, p. 366.

Royal Typewriter Co., Inc. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

(Foreign Subsidiaries Not Consolidated)			
Six Months Ended Jan. 31—	1942	1941	
Net profit after depreciation	\$2,864,200	\$1,820,492	
Federal income tax (normal)	613,086	456,464	
Federal excess profits tax	969,485	177,656	
Net profit after Fed. inc. and exc. profits tax	\$1,281,629	\$1,186,372	
*Earnings per common share	\$4.28	\$3.93	

*After allowing for preferred dividend.—V. 155, p. 160.

(The) Ryan Aeronautical Co.—Dividend Resumed—

A dividend of 25 cents per share has been declared on the common stock, par \$1, payable March 25 to holders of record March 5. This compares with five cents per share paid on Nov. 10, 1937; none since.—V. 155, p. 160.

St. Louis-San Francisco Ry.—Carloadings—

Week Ended—	Feb. 21, '42 Feb. 14, '42 Feb. 22, '41		
Cars loaded	16,167	17,339	16,068

—V. 155, p. 830.

St. Paul Union Stock Yards Co.—37 1/2-Cent Dividend

The company on Jan. 31 paid a dividend of 37 1/2 cents per share on the common stock to holders of record Jan. 28. Distributions were made during 1941 as follows: March 31 and June 30, 37 1/2 cents each; July 26, \$7.50 out of paid-in surplus, and Oct. 29, 50 cents.—V. 154, p. 964.

Safety Car Heating & Lighting Co.—\$1 Dividend—

A dividend of \$1 per share has been declared on the common stock, par \$50, payable April 1 to holders of record March 16. A similar amount was paid on April 1, July 1, Oct. 1 and Dec. 23, last year, and on the last-mentioned date an extra distribution of \$1.50 per share was also made.—V. 153, p. 252.

Saguenay Power Co., Ltd.—Bonds Called—

A total of \$67,000 of first mortgage 4 1/4% sinking fund bonds, series B, dated April 1, 1936, have been called for redemption as of April 1, 1942, at 104 and interest. Payment will be made at the National Trust Co., Ltd., co-trustee, Montreal, Canada.—V. 154, p. 870.

Schering Corp. of Bloomfield, N. J.—New Vice-Pres.

Gerald E. Donovan has been elected Vice-President and director of this corporation, and will be in charge of financial operations. Mr. Donovan has been a Vice-President of the investment banking firm of Schroder Rockefeller & Co., Inc., of New York.

The Schering Corp. manufactures pharmaceutical products and specializes in research and development of new medical products including anti-shock and sex hormones, and sulfanilamide compounds. An authorized statement says: The company is expanding its research and production of medicinal products which are essential to national health and defense needs. Some of the basic research work carried out under the direction of Dr. Erwin Schwenk, internationally known chemist, will be continued in collaboration with the National Research Council. New and vitally important discoveries made in the Schering laboratories should be available to the medical profession and for military needs in the near future.

The suspension on Jan. 29 by the Treasury Department of all executives who had in past years been associated with the Schering pharmaceutical firm in Germany was for the purpose of eliminating all former ties and putting the Schering Corp. in absolute American control. This will enable them to exchange pharmaceutical secrets on vital drugs with the U. S. Government.

Following Mr. Donovan's election, the present officers are: Dr. Gregory Stragnell, Executive Vice-President; Gerald E. Donovan, Vice-President; Dr. Edward Henderson, Secretary; and C. F. Eurich, Treas.

The directors include Dr. Stragnell, Mr. Donovan, Dr. Henderson, J. W. H. Randall and E. H. Meill. Other changes in the management are: John H. Culbertson, in charge of development engineering and production; F. O. Robbins, in charge of sales; John A. Olsen, Controller; and John Byrne, in charge of the legal division. These organization changes have been made with the guidance of the Treasury Department.

Schumacher Wall Board Corp.—Earnings—

Period Ended Jan. 31—	1942—3 Mos.—1941	1942—9 Mos.—1941	
*Net profit	\$73,419	\$74,778	\$220,800
*After deducting all charges, including provision for Federal income and estimated excess profits tax.—V. 155, p. 403.			\$182,393

Scranton Lace Co.—25-Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 31 to holders of record March 12. Distributions during 1941 were as follows: March 31, 25 cents; June 30 and Sept. 30, 50 cents each, and Dec. 15, a year-end of \$1.—V. 154, p. 1271.

Serrick Corp. — Stock Distributed—Rogers & Tracy, Inc., Chicago, announced the distribution of 5,000 shares of the Class "B" stock (par \$1) of the corporation, which is listed on the Chicago Stock Exchange, to members of the National Association of Securities Dealers at 5 less %.

Earnings, Six Months Ended Dec. 31	1941	1940
Sales	\$2,696,195	\$1,502,188
Net profit (after est. prov. for all charges)	224,593	39,909
Earnings per share—		
'A' common stock	\$4.64	\$0.82
'B' common stock	\$1.43	\$0.13

Balance Sheet, Dec. 31, 1941

Assets—		
Cash	\$70,998	
Accounts and notes receivable (net)	544,240	
Inventories (net)	512,979	
Prepaid expenses	9,689	
Real estate, plant and equipment—Cost (less reserve for depreciation, \$723,018)	559,552	
Goodwill	1	
Total	\$1,697,460	
Liabilities—		
Accounts payable	\$123,116	
Accrued expenses	77,871	
Provision for Federal income tax and contractual obligations	341,900	
Reserves	14,027	
Class A common stock	242,085	
Class B common stock	141,926	
Capital surplus	587,446	
Earned surplus	169,089	
Total	\$1,697,460	

—V. 155, p. 830.

Sharon Steel Corp.—25-Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 26 to holders of record March 14. A like amount has been paid each quarter since and including Dec. 23, 1940. The previous distribution on this issue was 30 cents on Dec. 21, 1937.—V. 154, p. 1531.

Sheffield Farms Co., Inc.—New Director—

Joseph F. Twomey, General Sales Manager, has been elected a director to succeed the late H. S. Tuthill, one of the founders of the company.—V. 155, p. 269.

Shepard-Niles Crane & Hoist Co.—\$1 Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of \$1 per share on the common stock, payable March 2 to holders of record Feb. 19. Distributions were made during 1941 as follows: March 3 and June 2, \$1 each, and Sept. 2 and Dec. 1, \$2 each.—V. 153, p. 1287.

(H.) Simon & Sons Ltd.—Extra Distribution—

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 15 cents per share in addition to the usual quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share on the outstanding 30,050 shares of common stock, no par value, payable March 28 to holders of record March 13. No extra payment was made on this issue in 1941.—V. 151, p. 2205.

Snider Packing Corp.—50-Cent Year-End Dividend—

The directors have declared the regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the capital stock, payable March 14, and a year-end dividend of 50 cents per share, payable March 24, both to holders of record March 4. From Dec. 14, 1940, to and including Dec. 15, 1941, quarterly distributions of 25 cents per share were made, with no extras.—V. 152, p. 3985.

Southern Canada Power Co., Ltd.—Earnings—

Period End. Jan. 31—	1942—Month—1941	1942—4 Mos.—1941
Gross earnings	\$267,301	\$241,569
Operating expenses	78,992	62,609
Taxes	64,933	62,196
Net earnings	\$123,375	\$116,764
Interest, depreciation & dividends	116,540	113,966
Surplus	\$6,835	\$2,798

—V. 155, p. 308.

Southern Colorado Power Co.—Accumulated Div.—

A dividend of 1% has been declared on the 7% cumulative preferred stock, par \$100, payable March 14 to holders of record Feb. 28. This dividend is on account of accumulations. A similar distribution was made in preceding quarters.—V. 155, p. 830.

Southern Ry.—Earnings—

Period—	Week Ended Feb. 14		Jan. 1 to Feb. 14—	
	1942	1941	1942	1941
Gross earnings (est.)	\$4,246,091	\$3,204,877	\$25,229,016	\$19,887,406

—V. 155, p. 830.

Southwest Natural Gas Co.—Accumulated Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on account of accumulations on the \$6 cumulative preferred A stock, par \$10, payable April 1 to holders of record March 20. A similar distribution was made on this issue on April 1, July 1, Oct. 1 and Dec. 15, last year, making a total of \$2 for 1941, as against \$1.25 paid in 1940. Accruals on the \$6 preferred A stock at Jan. 2, 1942, were \$17.75 per share.—V. 154, p. 1007, 965.

Southwestern Public Service Co.—To Merge Community Power & Light Co. and General Public Utilities Co.—To Sell \$32,000,000 Bonds and Stocks—See Community Power & Light Co.—V. 152, p. 3987.

(A. G.) Spalding & Bros., Inc.—Initial Dividend—

The directors have declared an initial dividend of \$1.50 per share on the \$1.50 cum. first preferred stock, no par value, payable March 16 to holders of record March 7.—V. 155, p. 269.

Sparks-Withington Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

6 Mos. End. Dec. 31—	1941	1940	1939	1938
Net profit	\$295,680	\$5,812	\$11,234	\$161,239
Earnings per share	\$0.31	Nil	Nil	Nil

*After charges and provision for U. S. and Canadian income taxes. †On 900,674 shares of common stock. ‡Loss.—V. 154, p. 452.

Southern Pacific Co.—Annual Report—A. T. Mercier President, states:

Southern Pacific Transportation System
Revenues—The gain in total railway operating revenues compared with 1940, reflects the effect on rail traffic of the increase in indus-

trial production and other business activities under the impetus of the armament program; enlargement of the forces and facilities of the Army and Navy; and the diversion to other services of a number of steamships from coastal and intercoastal routes which had carried a substantial tonnage of freight in competition with the railroads.

A decrease in water line revenues, principally due to requisition by the United States of the company's ocean steamships, was offset by decreases in water line operating expenses, taxes, and pier rentals.

Freight revenues were the largest in the history of the company. The source of these revenues by commodity groups, and the increases compared with 1940, are shown in the following tabulation:

	Revenues	Increase	%
Products of agriculture	\$57,708,665	\$6,749,503	13.24
Animals and products	7,000,513	770,613	12.37
Products of Mines	18,892,424	6,532,547	52.85
Products of forests	34,273,981	8,996,284	35.59
Manufactures and miscellaneous	112,595,637	30,321,098	36.85
Total carload freight	\$230,471,220	\$53,370,045	30.14
Less-than-carload freight	13,969,778	1,857,804	15.34
Total	\$244,440,998	\$55,227,849	29.19

The net ton-miles of revenue freight moved by the rail lines exceeded the previous high record established in 1940. However, the average revenue per net ton-mile declined to 0.988 cents, falling below one cent for the first time since 1917.

Passenger revenues showed a substantial increase, mainly due to the movement of military and other government traffic, travel by soldiers and sailors on furloughs, and civilian travel for business purposes.

Mail and express revenues were larger, principally as the result of increased traffic, much of the gain in express revenues being due to government shipments.

The increase in all other operating revenues was mainly due to gains in revenues from dining car, buffet car, and switching services, and Pullman car earnings.

Expenses—The increase in expenses was principally due to the increase in volume of rail traffic. Other causes of increases included the cost of wage rate increases awarded employees retroactive to Sept. 1, 1941, as the result of mediation under the Railway Labor Act; higher prices of material and supplies other than locomotive fuel; more rail laid in repairs and renewals; and larger expenditures for repair of storm damage. A decrease in water line expenses, due to discontinuance of steamship operations, partly offset the increase in rail line expenses.

The average number of employees was 67,423, an increase of 8,251, or 13.94%, compared with 1940. Payrolls comprised \$127,092,603.26 of total operating expenses, an increase of \$23,771,507.08, or 23.01%, over 1940, including approximately \$5,177,600 representing the cost of the wage award applicable to the last four months of the year.

Approximately 352 track miles of new rail, principally 113-lb. and 132-lb. weight per yard, and 273 track miles of relayer rail of various weights, were laid in repairs and renewals; compared with approximately 305 track miles of new rail and 304 track miles of relayer rail laid in 1940.

Prolonged rainfall during the first three months of the year, along the California coast, and especially severe storms in the coastal area between San Francisco and Los Angeles, caused extensive damage to roadbed and tracks, and interruption of through traffic for short periods of time. Heavy rain storms in the Coachella and Imperial Valley areas of southern California, in August, and in New Mexico and western Texas, in September, caused considerable damage to tracks. Expenditures for repairs and protective improvements in 1941, due to storm damage, amounted to approximately \$1,602,000, of which about \$1,368,000 was charged to operating expenses, compared with \$472,000 of such operating charges in 1940.

In February and thereafter, forces at all principal locomotive and car shops worked six days a week, and these forces were increased progressively through the year, with the result that, despite increased service required of all rolling stock, the general condition of equipment was improved, compared with the condition at the end of 1940.

In addition to 20 new steam passenger locomotives and 40 new diesel-electric switchers placed in service, it was necessary to effect return of 33 steam locomotives from service on affiliated lines; and, in December, 1941, and the reformat of January, 1942, to borrow 17 steam locomotives from other railroads for use on the Pacific Lines.

As a result of a decrease in the average speed of freight trains, due to greater density of traffic, the gross ton-miles of freight moved per train hour decreased 1.77% from the high record of the previous year. However, an increase of 38.72%, in the net ton-miles of revenue freight carried, was accompanied by an increase of only 23.76% in freight train-miles, due to the heavier average loading of freight trains during the year.

Taxes—Railway tax accruals took 22.85 cents of each dollar of net revenue from railway operations for 1941, and are equivalent to \$5.68 a share of the outstanding capital stock of Southern Pacific Co. The accruals by classes of taxes are as follows:

Federal unemployment insurance taxes	\$4,016,706
Federal retirement (pension) taxes	4,022,658
Other Federal and miscellaneous taxes	2,115,057
State, county and city taxes	11,274,503
Total	\$21,428,925

The substantial increase in taxes, compared with 1940, is principally due to provision for Federal taxes on income and capital stock, and increases in retirement and unemployment insurance taxes resulting from employment of larger forces during the year and wage increases awarded employees effective Sept. 1, 1941.

Rents—Net charges for equipment rents increased mainly because of a larger number of freight cars of other companies moving over company's lines as a result of the increase in the volume of freight traffic.

Other Income—The net decrease in income from sources other than railway operations was substantially more than offset by a net decrease in miscellaneous deductions from income. The principal income fluctuations were a decrease of \$120,000 in dividends received from Pacific Fruit Express Co.; a decrease of \$99,999 compared with dividends received in 1940 from the Reward Oil Co., which was dissolved in December, 1940; and an increase of \$164,359 in dividends received from Pacific Greyhound Lines. The decrease in miscellaneous rents paid was the result, mainly, of release of various piers which had been used in connection with steamship operations.

Fixed Charges—The decrease in total fixed charges was principally due to a net decrease in the amount of funded debt outstanding in the hands of the public and repayment of short term loans, during the year.

General—On Dec. 13, 1941, company joined other railroads in requesting the Interstate Commerce Commission to authorize a uniform increase of 10% in passenger fares, freight rates and accessory charges with certain exceptions, to provide additional revenues necessary to meet in part increases in operating expenses due to higher wage rates, increased cost of material and supplies, and the added cost of safeguarding railroad properties and operations during continuance of the war. The request for authority to increase interstate passenger fares, except special fares for soldiers and sailors on furlough and extra fares applicable to certain trains, was granted Jan. 21, 1942, and the increase was made effective Feb. 10, 1942. Intrastate fares were increased correspondingly in Oregon, Arizona, and New Mexico, on Feb. 10; and in California, with the additional exception of commutation fares, on Feb. 11. Decisions by the regulatory commissions of other states are expected shortly. Hearings on the freight rate increase have been held by the Interstate Commerce Commission and an early decision is anticipated.

As mentioned in last year's report, filing of land grant claim releases enabled company to apply full commercial charges for transportation of persons and property for the United States, except for military or naval forces and property of the United States moving for military or naval purposes. Differences of opinion have arisen as to what constitutes military and naval property of the United States, such property not being defined in the statute. Bills providing for amendment of the statute have been introduced in Congress, which, if enacted, will clarify the law with respect to charges applicable to Government traffic.

Motor Truck Services—Motor truck services coordinated with rail freight operations were further extended during the year. At Dec. 31, 1941, over-the-highway trucking services provided by companies solely controlled by company were in operation on 11,194.8 miles of roads, compared with 9,639.4 miles of such operations at the end of 1940.

Steamships—The steamship operations which had been conducted by your company for many years, between Atlantic ports and the Gulf

ports of Houston and Galveston, were discontinued upon completion of delivery in July, 1941, of 10 freight steamships to the United States. Service between New Orleans and New York was discontinued in March, 1941, coincident with sale of the passenger and freight steamship "Dixie" to the United States Navy, as mentioned in last year's report, and in the same month two freight steamships which had been operated in that service were sold to the Pan Atlantic Steamship Corp.

Separately Operated Solely Controlled Affiliated Companies
The net deficit of the separately operated solely controlled affiliated companies operating in the United States, shown in the income account, excludes interest of \$2,499,123 accrued by Pacific Electric and Northwestern Pacific on bonds of those companies owned by company but not included in its income.

The net deficit of Pacific Electric Ry. for 1941 was \$1,663,835, compared with a net deficit of \$2,543,120 for 1940. The deficits include interest accrued on bonds of the Pacific Electric owned by company, such interest amounting to \$1,253,658 for 1941, and \$1,308,318 for 1940.

Progress on the program for improvement of the company's operating results included additional substitutions of bus routes for rail passenger service; disposition of certain urban auto bus operations by sale of the franchise; abandonment of 45.72 miles of rail lines; and conversion from double track to single track of 39.54 miles of rail lines used principally for freight operations. The company purchased 46 new modern buses, and modernized 69 rail passenger cars.

A collateral trust indenture was created and \$6,000,000 of Pacific Electric Railway collateral trust bonds dated July 1, 1941, bearing interest at 5%, and maturing on Jan. 1, 1957, were issued with the authority of the Interstate Commerce Commission. The collateral trust bonds are secured by \$2,544,000 of Pacific Electric Ry. refunding mortgage 50-year 5% bonds, due Sept. 1, 1961. The collateral trust bonds were authorized to refinance, in part, \$459,000 of first mortgage 5% bonds of California Pacific Ry., which matured July 1, 1941, and \$7,563,000 of Pacific Electric Ry. first mortgage 5% bonds, due Jan. 1, 1942. Holders of these maturing bonds were offered the privilege of surrendering their bonds and receiving in exchange 20% in cash and 80% in collateral trust bonds. Provision has been made for payment of matured bonds owned by holders who did not accept the company's offer, and the mortgages securing the bonds have been satisfied. Southern Pacific Co. owns \$3,751,200 of the collateral trust bonds, and \$2,248,800 of such bonds are held by the public.

During the year, all the \$26,000 Los Angeles Pacific Co. general consolidated mortgage 5% bonds, due Jan. 2, 1946, were acquired; and in January, 1942, this mortgage was satisfied.

Interurban Electric Railway had a net deficit for 1941 of \$317,905, compared with a net deficit of \$661,426 for 1940. With discontinuance of service between San Francisco and Albany, Emeryville, and Berkeley on July 26, 1941, Interurban Electric completed abandonment of all of its operations under authority of Federal and State regulatory bodies. Portions of the electric rail lines of Southern Pacific Co., used by Interurban Electric under trackage rights, and not required for freight service operations, have been abandoned under authority of the ICC.

Northwestern Pacific R.R. had a net deficit for 1941 of \$1,573,161, compared with a deficit of \$1,763,338 for 1940; the results for both years including \$1,245,465 of interest accrued on Northwestern Pacific bonds owned by company.

Ferry and electric train interurban service between San Francisco and points in Marin County, California, was discontinued on March 1, 1941, upon establishment of motor coach commutation service by Pacific Greyhound Lines. The resulting decrease in interurban service expenses, and a net increase in total operating revenues, were partly offset by dismissal compensation payments to marine employees affected by discontinuance of ferry service; and increases in operating costs of the company's steam lines, mainly due to a substantial gain in freight traffic volume, and high wage rates of employees from Sept. 1, 1941, under Mediation Board decision.

The results of Southern Pacific R.R. of Mexico are excluded from the consolidated income of Southern Pacific Transportation System and separately operated solely controlled affiliated companies for 1941, as that company is being required to conduct its operations entirely within its own resources.

The Southern Pacific R.R. of Mexico had a net deficit for 1941 of \$239,200, including a charge of \$618,958 for amortization of investment in property which is subject eventually to reversion to the Mexican Government. Excluding such charge, operations for 1941 produced a net income of \$379,757, an improvement of \$358,616 compared with 1940, mainly due to an increase in revenues brought about by export shipments, particularly perishables, and generally better business conditions throughout Mexico.

Other Companies

In the matter of reorganization of St. Louis Southwestern Railway, the Interstate Commerce Commission on June 30, 1941, approved a plan of reorganization providing for a total capitalization of \$75,000,375, of which \$21,900,884 would be allocated to Southern Pacific Co.

Petitions for modification of the Commission's plan were filed by several parties to the proceeding. The Commission now has the petitions under advisement.

Mention was made in last year's report that Southern Pacific Golden Gate Ferries, Ltd., had been adjudicated a bankrupt. Company owns \$592,000 of Southern Pacific Golden Gate Ferries, Ltd. bonds. There is uncertainty as to what, if any, final value will attach to these bonds when liquidation of the ferry company is completed because of extensive litigation pending, the outcome of which will not be known for some time. Your company has written off as valueless its investment in slightly over 50% of the capital stocks of Southern Pacific Golden Gate Co., a holding company. This holding company owned all the capital stock of Southern Pacific Golden Gate Ferries, Ltd., and has written this stock off as valueless.

Additions and Betterments—Charges to investment in transportation property of Southern Pacific Transportation System aggregated \$34,368,489. Additions and betterments to rolling stock amounted to \$23,315,797, an increase of \$17,705,237; and all other additions and betterments, totaling \$11,052,692, increased \$3,884,692; compared with 1940.

Funded Debt and Bank Loans—There was a net decrease, during 1941, of \$24,683,463 in funded debt held by the public and short-term bank loans of Southern Pacific Transportation System.

The \$19,800,000 of loans due the Reconstruction Finance Corp. at Dec. 31, 1940, had been reduced to \$7,000,000 on July 22, 1941; and the \$20,000,000 of short-term bank loans carried in the account "loans and bills payable" at Dec. 31, 1940, had been reduced to \$13,000,000 on June 16, 1941.

On Oct. 1, 1941, the company issued \$20,000,000 of new serial bank loans maturing over a period of four years in equal quarterly installments of \$1,250,000 beginning Jan. 1, 1942, bearing interest at rates ranging from 2% to 3 1/4% per annum, depending upon maturity, and averaging over the four-year term slightly less than 3%. The proceeds of the serial bank loans were used to repay the balance of \$7,000,000 of RFC 4% loan, due May 1, 1945, and the balance of \$13,000,000 of 3 1/2% bank loans which were due Nov. 1, 1941.

On Oct. 31, 1941, a payment of \$5,000,000 was made on the new serial bank loans, reducing the amount outstanding to \$15,000,000. Other funded debt held by the public was retired, during the year, in the principal amount of \$14,508,463, consisting, principally, of bonds and equipment trusts matured, and bonds purchased for use in satisfaction of sinking fund provisions of mortgages or purchased and held alive within the system or by solely controlled affiliated companies.

In addition to issuance of the new serial bank loans for the purposes mentioned, an equipment trust, known as "Southern Pacific Co. equipment trust, series R," was created to provide for the construction and acquisition of certain new rolling stock for delivery in 1941 and 1942, and \$14,625,000 of 2 1/4% equipment trust certificate was issued. The certificates are guaranteed by Southern Pacific Co.; are dated June 2, 1941; and mature in amounts of \$975,000 on the 1 of each year from 1942 to 1956, both inclusive.

General

During the past year the transportation system and separately operated solely controlled companies operating in the United States expended \$33,588,000 (excluding non-cash items) for additions, including equipment, and for improvements to their several properties. In addition, there was expended \$5,000,000 in reduction of bank loans, \$19,800,000 in payment of the balance owing on loans from the RFC, and \$18,957,000 for the retirement of other debt, principally bonds, equipment trusts, and conditional sale contract payments that had matured, and for bonds purchased for use in satisfaction of sinking fund provisions of mortgages or purchased and held alive within the system.

Funds for the foregoing purposes were derived principally from earnings, which, after deducting all charges, including approximately \$12,000,000 for depreciation and retirements, aggregated \$34,574,000, from the sale of capital assets which approximated \$12,618,000 (including the "Morgan Line" fleet of steamships); and from \$20,135,000 of

borrowed funds used in connection with the acquisition of new rolling stock.

Traffic Statistics for Calendar Years (Southern Pacific Rail Lines) 1941 1940 1939 1938

Income Account for Calendar Years Southern Pacific Transportation System (Southern Pacific Co. and Transportation System Cos., Consolidated) and Separately Operated Solely Controlled Affiliated Companies (excluding Southern Pacific RR. Co. of Mexico in 1941).

Income Account for Calendar Years 1941 1940 1939 1938

Income available for fixed charges 64,266,316 39,178,303 36,141,866 23,890,987

Consolidated Balance Sheet, Dec. 31 (Southern Pacific Lines) 1941 1940 1939 1938

Assets 1941 1940 1939 1938

Liabilities 1941 1940 1939 1938

Capital stock held by public 383,582,351 383,582,551 377,277,706 377,277,605

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Earnings of Transportation System—Month Ended Jan. 31—1942 1941

(E. R.) Squibb & Sons—Sales Up \$6,310,923.85 In 1941

Standard Stoker Co., Inc.—Regular Dividend—The directors have declared the regular quarterly dividend of 50 cents per share on the com. stock, payable March 2 to holders of record Feb. 24.

Standard Gas & Electric Co.—Weekly Output—Electric output of the public utility operating companies in the Standard Gas & Electric Co. system for the week ended Feb. 21, 1942, totaled 159,624,000 kwh., as compared with 137,259,000 kwh. for the corresponding week last year, an increase of 16.3%.

Stokely Bros. & Co., Inc.—Stock Offered—Stein Bros. & Boyce on Feb. 25 offered 15,000 shares of 5% cumulative prior preference stock (\$20 par) at a price of \$11.50 per share.

Sun Oil Co.—To Increase Common Stock—Stockholders at the annual meeting March 10, will vote on a proposal to increase the authorized no par common stock by 500,000 shares.

Tampa Electric Co.—Earnings—Period Ended Jan. 31—1942—Month—1941 1942—12 Mos.—1941

Technicolor, Inc.—25-Cent Dividend—A dividend of 25 cents per share has been declared on the common stock, payable March 31 to holders of record March 16.

Texas Electric Service Co.—Earnings—Period Ended Dec. 31—1941—Month—1940 1941—12 Mos.—1940

Texas-New Mexico Utilities Co.—To Be Liquidated—See Community Power & Light Co.

Thompson-Starrett Co., Inc.—Earnings—9 Months Ended—Jan. 29, '42 Jan. 30, '41 Jan. 25, '40

Texas & Pacific Railway—Earnings—Month of January—1942 1941

Thomson Electric Welding Co.—\$1 Dividend—A dividend of \$1 per share has been declared on the common stock, payable March 2 to holders of record Feb. 18.

Todd Shipyard Corp.—\$1.50 Dividend—A dividend of \$1.50 per share has been declared on the common stock, no par value, payable March 16 to holders of record March 2.

Distributions during 1941 were as follows: March 15 and June 16, \$1.50 each; Sept. 15, \$2; and Dec. 15, \$3.—V. 154, p. 1272.

Texas Power & Light Co.—Earnings—Period End. Dec. 31—1941—Month—1940 1941—12 Mos.—1940

Truax-Traer Coal Co.—37½-Cent Dividend—Earnings The directors on Feb. 25 declared a dividend of 37½ cents per share on the common stock, payable March 11 to holders of record March 7.

Twin Coach Co., Kent, Ohio—January Orders—The company reports the sale of 463 coaches to 41 companies in 24 States, during the month of January, 1942, according to Ross Schram, Vice-President.

Union Electric Co. of Missouri—North American Co. Calls Off Sale of Union Electric Shares—To Await More Settled Market—Directors of The North American Co. on Feb. 19 decided to await more settled market conditions before taking further action with regard to the proposed sale of the company's holdings of the common stock of Union Electric Co. of Missouri.

Union Metal Manufacturing Co.—Delisting—The SEC announced Feb. 23 that it had granted the application of company to withdraw its common stock (no par) from listing and registration on the Cleveland Stock Exchange.

Union Oil Co. of Calif.—Listing of Debentures—The New York Stock Exchange has authorized listing of \$15,000,000 3% debentures, due Jan. 1, 1967, which are issued and outstanding.

Union Potash & Chemical Co.—To Merge—See International Minerals & Chemical Co.—V. 155, p. 510.

Union Premier Food Stores, Inc.—Sales Gain—Period End. Feb. 21—1942—4 Wks.—1941 1942—8 Wks.—1941

Union Twist Drill Co.—\$1 Dividend—A dividend of \$1 per share has been declared on the common stock, payable March 30 to holders of record March 20.

United Corp.—Declaration Filed With SEC—The SEC has announced that the corporation has filed a declaration under the Holding Company Act regarding the proposed reduction of the stated value of its 2,488,712½ shares of outstanding \$3 cumulative preference stock from \$50 a share to \$5.—V. 155, p. 831.

United Dyewood Corp.—Accumulated Dividend—The directors have declared a dividend of \$1.75 per share on account of accumulations on the 7% cumulative preferred stock, payable April 1 to holders of record March 6.

United Light & Power Co.—Directed To Pay Long-Term Debt in Dissolution Step—SEC Rules Company Not Bound To Pay 9% Premium on Debs. Redeemed—The Securities and Exchange Commission on Feb. 26 authorized and directed the company to pay off at par and accrued interest to May 1, 1942, all its outstanding long-term debt consisting of three series of debentures aggregating \$15,093,800.

contentions of certain debenture holders that the debt must be redeemed at a 9% premium.

Although the indenture of the issues provides a call premium of 9%, the SEC said that United was under a congressional mandate to terminate its affairs and that the contract right of the debenture holders to receive more than principal and accrued interest thus was voided.

"The company's lack of free choice to continue in business, making liquidation necessary, renders inapplicable the provision for redemption and payment of a redemption premium," the Commission stated. It added that nowhere in the debentures was there a contract right vested in the holders to receive more than par and accrued interest in those circumstances.—V. 155, p. 832.

United Gas Improvement Co.—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 Feb. 21, 1942, 117,055,722 kwh.; same week last year, 104,365,341 kwh., an increase of 12,690,381 kwh., or 12.2%.—V. 155, p. 699, 832.

United Paperboard Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

6 Mos. End.—		
	Nov. 29, '41	Nov. 30, '40
Net sales	\$2,839,072	\$1,612,069
Costs and expenses	2,429,636	1,537,478
Profit on operations	\$409,436	\$74,591
Other income	12,989	21,451
Total income	\$422,425	\$96,042
Depreciation	47,482	51,469
Federal income taxes	150,000	3,399
Other deductions	32,382	16,299
Net profit	\$192,561	\$24,875
Earnings per share	\$0.69	Nil

*On 240,000 shares of common stock.

Common Dividends Resumed—

A dividend of 25 cents per share has been declared on the common stock, par \$10, payable March 16 to holders of record March 3. This is the first distribution to be made on this issue since May 27, 1937, when a dividend of 30 cents per share was paid.—V. 154, p. 1385.

United States Rubber Co.—Substitute Heels Made From Reclaimed Rubber—

Use of crude rubber in heels for civilian use has been entirely halted to save 25,000 tons annually for military purposes, according to an announcement by the company, which adds that it will be able to produce a satisfactory substitute heel made entirely from reclaimed rubber.

Machines have already been converted and a full line of heels made from this substance, which is obtained from the Nation's used rubber articles, is now being manufactured, it was stated.—V. 155, p. 642.

United States Steel Corp.—Subsidiary Moves Staff—

Isthmian Steamship Co., a subsidiary, has moved its New York staff to new modern offices at 71 Broadway where the headquarters of the parent corporation are located, it was announced.

The port employment offices of Isthmian together with the medical staff under the supervision of Dr. R. L. Beadles are located at 30 Trinity Place, directly opposite the main office.—V. 155, p. 739.

United States Sugar Corp.—Participating Dividend on New Preferred Stock—

The directors on Feb. 19 declared an initial quarterly dividend of 40 cents per share and a participating dividend of 15 cents per share on the new series A 6.4% convertible participating convertible stock, par \$25, both payable March 10 to holders of record Feb. 27. This stock was offered to the common and 5% preferred stockholders of record Nov. 10, 1941. (See V. 154, p. 911).

The directors also declared a dividend of 15 cents per share on the common stock, par \$1, payable March 10 to holders of record Feb. 27. This compares with 15 cents per share on this issue on June 27, last year, and 10 cents per share paid on March 17, 1941.—V. 154, p. 911.

United States Tobacco Co.—Earnings—

Calendar Years—		
	1941	1940
Sales, less discounts, allowances & sales deducts.	\$19,088,404	\$18,339,203
Cost of goods sold, selling, admin. & gen. exps.	14,951,038	14,502,501
Provision for depreciation and obsolescence	332,951	279,553
Profit	\$3,804,416	\$3,557,149
Dividends, interest and miscellaneous income	498,655	381,383
Gross income	\$4,303,071	\$3,938,532
*United States income taxes	1,209,502	663,349
Canadian income and excess profits tax	42,236	
Net earnings	\$3,051,334	\$3,275,183
Non-recurring income		702,193
Total income for year	\$3,051,334	\$3,977,376
Preferred dividends	163,102	163,102
Common dividends	2,747,100	3,589,544
Shares of common stock outstanding (no par)	1,831,400	1,831,400
Earnings per share	\$1.58	\$2.08

*No provision required for excess profits taxes. †Net refunds of Federal taxes for prior years, including interest thereon.

Balance Sheet, Dec. 31

	1941	1940
Assets—		
Real estate, machinery and fixtures	\$6,334,895	\$6,038,647
Trademarks, goodwill, etc.	1	1
Cash	3,383,805	3,821,864
Leaf manufacturing stocks, supplies, etc.	11,500,840	10,114,004
Accounts receivable, customers (net)	1,049,319	811,396
Marketable securities	5,479,310	6,394,492
Capital stocks of other companies	600,039	600,039
Other notes and accounts receivable	181,309	162,894
Prepaid expenses	63,439	65,246
Total	\$28,592,957	\$28,008,584

	1941	1940
Liabilities—		
Preferred stock	\$2,330,000	\$2,330,000
*Common stock	14,943,700	14,943,700
Accounts payable	480,015	467,158
Accrued taxes and exps., incl. Fed. inc. taxes	1,402,247	835,101
General reserve	3,305,247	3,442,008
Earned surplus	6,131,749	5,990,616
Total	\$28,592,957	\$28,008,584

*Represented by 1,831,400 shares of no par value. †After depreciation of \$2,312,917 in 1941 and \$2,132,234 in 1940.

32-Cent Common Dividend—

The directors on Feb. 18 declared a dividend of 32 cents per share on the common stock and the regular quarterly dividend of 43 1/2 cents per share on the preferred stock, both payable March 16 to holders of record March 2. Distributions of 32 cents per share were made on the common stock on March 15, June 16 and Sept. 15, last, which were followed by a year-end dividend of 54 cents on Dec. 15. Compare V. 154, p. 1272.

Universal Products Co., Inc.—Smaller Dividend—

A dividend of 25 cents per share has been declared on the common stock, no par value, payable March 31 to holders of record March 18. Distributions were made in 1941 as follows: March 31, June 30 and Sept. 30, 40 cents each; and Dec. 22, 60 cents.—V. 152, p. 1146.

Utah Power & Light Co.—Accumulated Dividends—

The directors have declared a dividend of \$1.75 per share on the \$7 cumulative preferred stock, and a dividend of \$1.50 per share on the \$6 cumulative preferred stock, both payable on account of accumulations on April 1 to holders of record March 2. Like amounts were paid on Jan. 2, last. Accruals on the \$7 preferred stock on April 1 will amount to \$32.03 1/2 per share and on the \$6 preferred \$27.50 per share, it was stated.—V. 155, p. 161.

Virginia Public Service Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings—

Years End. Dec. 31—		
	1941	1940
Operating revenues—electric	\$10,469,685	\$8,861,383
Gas	451,424	381,675
Transportation—coach	549,310	315,729
Transportation—railway	298,395	252,929
Ice	301,267	212,611

Gross operating revenues	\$12,070,080	\$10,024,327
Operating expenses	4,227,477	3,524,306
Electricity purchased for resale	270,948	89,916
Maintenance	653,318	551,622
Provision for retirement (depreciation of fixed capital)	1,510,025	1,235,674
Provision for taxes—Federal income	550,632	397,432
Federal excess profits	674,257	
Other	953,033	842,651
Operating income	\$3,230,391	\$3,392,725
Other income	41,181	49,036

Gross income	\$3,271,572	\$3,441,761
Interest on mortgage bonds	1,748,066	1,760,150
Interest on debentures	194,878	199,387
Interest on miscellaneous long-term debt	20,008	23,722
Amortization of debt discount and expense	170,958	176,161
Taxes assumed on interest	34,645	35,323
Other interest charges	26,092	41,783
Interest charged to construction	Cr24,019	Cr64,188
Miscellaneous income deductions	18,712	3,794
Net income	\$1,082,233	\$1,265,650

—V. 154, p. 1601.

Valtee Aircraft, Inc.—Listing of Stocks—

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 240,000 outstanding shares of \$1.25 cumulative convertible preferred stock (no par); 1,202,168 presently outstanding shares of common stock (par \$1); 600,000 additional shares of common stock, upon official notice of issuance thereof upon the conversion of 240,000 shares of \$1.25 cumulative convertible preferred stock, and 37,500 additional shares of common stock, upon official notice of issuance thereof, pursuant to options heretofore granted and which may hereafter be granted to officers and employees, making the total number of shares, the listing for which is applied for 240,000 shares of preferred stock and 1,839,668 shares of common stock.—V. 155, p. 832.

Wabash RR. Co.—Carloadings—

Week Ended—			
	Feb. 21, '42	Jan. 24, '42	Feb. 22, '41
Loaded locally	5,773	6,130	5,414
Received from connections	10,479	12,240	10,428
Total	16,252	18,370	15,842

For the week ended Feb. 14, 1942, a total of 17,028 cars were loaded.—V. 155, p. 832, 739.

Valley Mold & Iron Corp.—50-Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock, payable March 2 to holders of record Feb. 20. Similar distributions were made each quarter during 1941 and, in addition, a year-end distribution of \$4 per share was made on Dec. 26, last year. Compare V. 154, p. 1601.

Waldorf System, Inc.—25-Cent Dividend—

The directors on Feb. 24 declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, payable April 1 to holders of record March 20. Distributions during 1941 were as follows: April 1, 20 cents and July 1, Oct. 1 and Dec. 20, 25 cents each (compare V. 154, p. 1272)—V. 155, p. 404.

(S. D.) Warren Co.—75-Cent Dividend—

A dividend of 75 cents per share has been declared on the common stock, payable March 27 to holders of record March 18. This compares with \$1 per share paid on Dec. 26, last, and 75 cents per share each quarter from March 25, 1940 to and incl. Sept. 29, 1941.—V. 154, p. 1272.

(The) Washington Water Power Co. (& Sub.)—Earnings.

Period End. Dec. 31—				
	1941—Month—	1940	1941—12 Mos.—1940	
Operating revenues	\$998,312	\$1,053,487	\$11,266,997	\$11,551,152
Oper. expenses, excl. direct taxes	354,544	401,146	5,223,120	4,442,490
Prov. for Fed. inc. taxes	65,243	132,343	743,314	842,740
Provision for Federal excess profits taxes	Cr3,401	7,353	Cr4,401	7,353
Other taxes	111,772	91,287	1,415,254	1,441,613
Property retirement reserve appropriations	90,847	91,856	1,094,169	1,106,975
Net oper. revenues	\$379,307	\$329,502	\$2,794,541	\$3,709,981
Other income (net)	2,161	1,917	38,720	36,266
Gross income	\$381,468	\$331,419	\$2,833,261	\$3,746,247
Int. on mortgage bonds	64,167	64,167	770,000	770,000
Other int. and deducts.	1,371	8,261	152,006	162,663
Interest charged to construction—Cr.	155	4,001	2,424	5,080
Net income	\$316,085	\$262,992	\$1,913,679	\$2,818,664
Dividends applic. to pref. stock for the period			622,518	622,518
Balance			\$1,291,161	\$2,196,146

—V. 155, p. 162.

Webster Coal & Coke Co.—Bonds Retired—

See Clearfield Bituminous Coal Corp. above.—V. 128, p. 268.

Welch Grape Juice Co.—25-Cent Dividend—

The directors have declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, par \$2.50, payable March 12 to holders of record Feb. 21. During 1941, the company made the following cash distributions: March 10 and June 20, 25 cents each; Aug. 30, 40 cents, and Dec. 20, 25 cents. A 5% stock dividend was also paid on June 30, 1941.—V. 153, p. 853.

Western Union Telegraph Co., Inc.—Earnings—

Period End. Dec. 31—				
	1941—Month—	1940	1941—12 Mos.—1940	
Telegraph & cable operating revenues	11,979,567	9,631,015	114,083,764	99,704,353
Repairs	604,626	628,194	6,680,314	6,364,057
Depreciation and amort.	698,492	681,452	8,195,009	8,205,988
All other maintenance	603,734	454,159	6,848,291	5,676,995
Conducting operations	6,725,439	5,781,537	67,525,648	59,875,879
Relief departments and pensions	182,135	180,411	2,273,613	2,190,916
All other general and miscellane's expenses	168,740	200,340	1,966,500	2,021,618
Net telegraph & cable operating revenues	2,946,401	1,704,922	20,794,389	15,368,970
Uncollectible operating revenues	35,789	38,524	396,691	398,817
Taxes assignable to operations	1,083,351	510,834	7,573,492	5,898,146
Operating income	1,877,961	1,155,544	12,824,206	9,077,007
Non-operating income	25,775	187,890	1,439,709	1,573,193
Gross income	1,853,036	1,343,434	14,263,915	10,645,200
Deductions from gross income	566,070	572,460	6,897,675	7,023,619
Net income	1,286,966	770,974	7,366,240	3,621,581

—V. 155, p. 740.

Wellman Engineering Co.—10-Cent Dividend—

A dividend of 10 cents per share has been declared on the common stock, no par value, payable April 1 to holders of record March 18. A like amount was paid on Feb. 1, July 15 and Dec. 1, last year.—V. 154, p. 1272.

Westinghouse Air Brake Co.—Annual Report—George A. Blackmore, Chairman, states in part:

Result of Operations in 1941—Net sales for the calendar year totaled \$54,938,631, the largest single year volume in our history, compared with \$32,513,454 in 1940, an increase of 69%. Net sales in 1939 totaled \$18,114,332, and in 1938 \$14,153,415.

The net profit for the year amounted to \$6,058,635, which is equivalent to approximately \$1.91 per share compared with \$1.76 per share in 1940, or an increase of 8.52%.

Our sales price levels have remained stabilized while wages, materials, overtime, taxes, and other factors have increased substantially. Therefore, earnings of reducing the normal profit margin accordingly. The earnings of \$1.91 per share in 1941, comparable with the pre-depression years 1928, 1929, and 1930, have been possible only because of the record volume of sales.

European Companies—As previously reported, company for many years has held a substantial interest in associated companies in Italy, Germany and France. These principal companies own valuable plant and equipment and have demonstrated ability to operate at a profit under normal conditions. However, the conversion of dividends to United States funds has not been permitted in recent years; and in view of present uncertainties in respect to a nominal value as shown on the balance sheet. Your management will continue to take all known steps to protect our position and property rights in those countries pending the termination of hostilities.

Taxes—Federal, State and local taxes paid or to be paid by the company and its domestic subsidiaries chargeable against 1941 operations amount to \$1,385,227 compared with \$4,967,079 for the year 1940. These taxes compare with previous years as follows:

	1941	1940	1939	1938
Federal	\$9,730,103	\$3,743,109	\$665,019	\$395,409
State	506,271	426,870	352,478	191,754
Social Security	844,046	492,849	361,300	315,900
Property	297,724	293,473	268,862	305,334
Miscellaneous	7,081	10,777	7,880	3,235
Total	\$11,385,227	\$4,967,079	\$1,655,541	\$1,212,634

The following table shows corporate taxes on a per share and per employee bases:

Year—	Per Share	Per Employee
1938	\$0.38	\$22.30
1939	0.52	249.03
1940	1.57	675.06
1941	3.59	1,071.95

Employees—The following table shows the numbers of employees and amount of payrolls for the years indicated:

Year—	Employees at Year-end	Payrolls for Year
1938	5,455	\$8,049,890
1939	6,648	9,142,233
1940	7,358	13,227,286
1941	10,621	22,501,890