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Co-operative banks now sell checks

Under a new law passed early this year, co-operative banks in the State of Massachusetts have added the sale of personal checks to their expanding program of services. Since these institutions provide the only banking facilities in many small communities, the plan is expected to be of great value to the public in these areas.

The new co-operative bank check, which may be purchased for 10ϕ , enables persons to send money or pay bills by personal check without having a bank account. Although few banks now offer checks for sale, it is believed that many more will add the service in the next few months.

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Title II Loans bring premium

The Federal National Mortgage Association has sold to approved mortgagees servicing them, a group of FHA-insured mortgages aggregating more than \$118,000,000. A subsidiary of the RFC, the FNMA held Title II, Section 203 mortgages amounting to \$187,000,000 prior to the recent sales.

The price received for 4½ percent mortgages was 103¼. For 5 percent loans, a price of 104¼ was obtained.

WPB orders priorities recaptured

To release additional supplies of critical materials, long-pending and unused priorities for war-housing projects will be recaptured and reallocated to builders who are prepared immediately to go ahead with construction, according to a new WPB-NHA order. WPB has issued an order, effective July 15, revoking outstanding P-55 preference rating orders except those issued under the Controlled Materials Plan.

In numerous cases, orders have been granted to builders who subsequently were unable to start construction because of financial difficulties and other factors. The new procedure is intended to recover priorities from such builders. All recaptured priorities will be reallocated to companies who are able to place housing under construction at the present time.

The new order will make general a "piece-meal" revocation procedure which has been carried by the WPB in certain areas and for specific builders in the last few months.

☆☆☆☆☆ Hawaii leads in bond sales

Hawaii leads the country in percapita bond purchases, according to the Treasury Department. Since the establishment of a quota system for the country, Hawaii has not only consistently over-subscribed its quota but has bought bonds at a rate from

other State or territory. In spite of an increase in its quota, Hawaii recently has subscribed from 103 to 354 percent of its monthly quota estimates. In December of last year, per-capita sales were \$20.16 as compared with a \$5.43 per-capita rate for the Nation as a whole.

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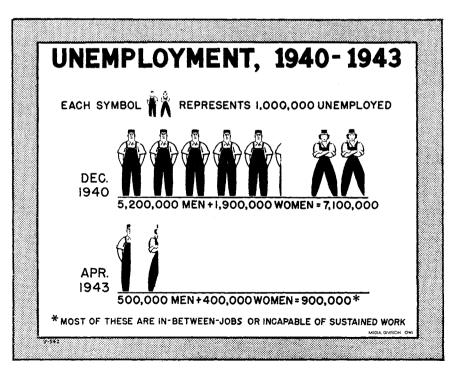
New York savings banks join FDIC

All mutual savings banks in the State of New York have applied for membership in the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. This action, which brings into the Federal depositinsurance system banks controlling approximately 60 percent of the 12 billion dollars in savings bank assets, was taken after New York State institutions voted to suspend the insurance fund formerly maintained by New York State institutions.

Prior to the recent action only 56 mutual savings banks, with total resources of 2 billion dollars, were members of the Federal system. It is understood that a separate fund will be maintained by the FDIC covering mutual savings banks' deposits. At present these institutions will pay the regular rate of 1/12 of 1 percent.

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Because of the constantly increasing number of women war workers migrating to critical areas, a number of FPHA dormitory-type structures formerly designated for male workers now will be turned over to women. In the past about 75 percent of all dormitory units were allocated for male workers. Recently the division has been made on a 50-50 basis.



Federal Home Loan Bank Review

COLLECTION POLICIES IN WAR-TIME

Better economic conditions have been reflected in a marked improvement in the normal collections of savings and loan associations. A survey of the experience of a group of institutions throughout the country, recently conducted by the REVIEW, suggests that conditions which are eliminating "slow" loans have, in themselves, created new collection problems.

■ 1N the first 5 months of 1943, a group of savings and loan associations in a Mid-Western city made new loans totaling \$3,800,000. Under normal conditions, this lending volume would have resulted in a substantial increase in the combined loan portfolio of the institutions. In actual fact, however, their mortgage holdings showed a net decline of more than \$800,000 in the period.

This phenomenon of retrogression in the face of apparent progress appears, in greater or lesser degree, to be the common experience of savings and loan associations throughout the country. Information obtained by the REVIEW from about 30 institutions in every section of the country indicates that collections are, if anything, too good. Not only are payments for principal and interest being made on schedule by borrowers, but total payments for principal retirement are ranging up to as much as 300 percent of normal contractual amounts in some cases.

Most institutions appear to welcome prepayments out of income and savings as a curb on inflation and as a general measure of security against an uncertain future. At the same time, it is evident that the retirement of loans resulting from refinancing and portfolio raiding is becoming a serious problem for institutions in certain areas.

Just as institution experience and attitude on prepayments vary widely, so replies to queries about collections on mortgages held by borrowers in the armed forces are tempered by the newness of the problem. Most institutions have had little experience as yet, and policies have not been formulated. For at least three associations, however, experience already has indicated the problem which may be created as heads of families are drafted in larger numbers.

Delinquencies Decline

On one point, all institutions responding to the questionnaire appear to be in agreement. Delinquencies are at an unusually low level and "slow"

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loans are disappearing. The tenor of the reports is the same: "our delinquencies are less than at any time during the last 10 years."

In evaluating the replies, it is well to take account of such factors as the age and composition of the portfolio of each institution, the general economic conditions prevailing in the locality prior to the War, and the extent to which war-industry expansion has affected the particular area.

Several institutions with relatively "young" portfolios composed of direct-reduction loans report that they have no delinquencies other than one or two cases of habitually "late payers." A number of associations in communities where business conditions long have been favorable make roughly similar reports. Typical is the comment of a Mid-Western association: "Our delinquencies have been very low for a number of years, usually not more than 3 or 4 out of 3,000. Improvement in conditions has merely caused greater prepayments."

For some other institutions, however, delinquencies still remain a problem although one of decreasing importance. One West Coast association with more than 8,000 mortgages outstanding reports that up to 2 years ago the average delinquency rate of the institution was about 8 percent. At the present time, about 4 percent of their loans are delinquent 1 month or more.

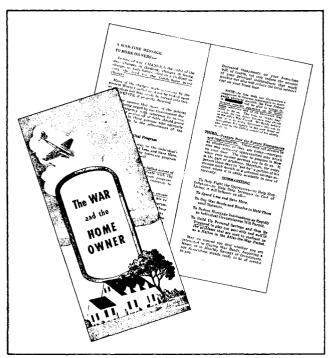
Just as there are exceptions to all rules, so there still are institutions for which delinquencies are still a major, if not *the* major concern of executives and directors. One Eastern institution reports that as many as 15 percent of its loans normally are one or two months past due. An additional 5 percent or more are delinquent a period of three months or more. Since the War has not resulted in any marked betterment in the general economic conditions in the community, the institution has not experienced a noticeable improvement in collections.

The improved collection situation appears to be attributable not only to larger cash income of borrowers but also to the fact that institutions have stiffened their collection policies. Most executives appear to feel that if borrowers don't "come through now, they never will."

PREVENTING DELINQUENCIES

Since carelessness rather than any inability to pay is the apparent basis for such delinquencies as occur, institutions keep in close touch with borrowers. Some institutions have adopted a policy of preventing default by "rewarding" borrowers with good payment records. One Middle Atlantic association sends out each year special letters and "Honor Credit Cards" to borrowers with good payment records. The managing officer reports that borrowers "strive to keep up their payments so as to be able to qualify for these cards."

Another institution has arranged for all mortgage payments to be made 1 month in advance. With this practice in force, and collection activities stepped up, the institution has made definite advances toward bringing delinquent loans back to a current basis as well as in preventing the development of new delinquencies. In May of last year, a total of 357 of their 5,600 mortgages were 3 months past due. In May of this year, only 100 mortgages remained as much as 3 months past due. New collection policies have, to quote the managing officer, "brought in more money than we thought possible."



Savings and loan associations have used various means of encouraging borrowers to use increasing incomes to speed the amortization of their mortgages. One Middle Atlantic association has issued the leaflet shown above which invites borrowers to increase normal payments during the war-time period.

Another Eastern institution has based its collection policy on the concept that delinquencies are best "nipped in the bud" before they are well started. This association makes it clear to borrowers that if a payment is not made on schedule both the current and the past payment will be due the next month. Partial payments are not accepted by the institution. For example, if a \$50 payment is due May 1 and a \$50 payment is received on June 2, the payment is returned with a notice showing that \$100 is due. The borrower is contacted and arrangements are made for the payment of the full amount of the current and delinquent instalments. This refusal to accept less than the full amount due has tended to reduce the number of minor delinquencies.

Another means of preventing default is that of charging a higher rate of interest for amounts past due than is normally charged. In recent years, one Eastern institution has been recasting a number of mortgages for borrowers in difficulties—reducing the rate of interest. It is stipulated in the new contract that where the borrower again falls in arrear, interest on past-due payments shall be charged at the old, higher rate.

Collection Methods

Of course, attitudes on delinquency are almost as numerous as the number of replies. Some institutions begin follow-up methods within a few days after the instalment is due. Others wait at least a full month before contacting borrowers.

For initial delinquency, 1 month or more, most institutions contact the borrower by means of form letters or telephone calls. One institution in the Middle West merely sends the borrower a formal statement of the condition of his account, much as a department store mails a monthly statement on past-due charge accounts. Immediate action to prevent the piling up of past-due payments appears to most institutions to be the safest and easiest way of avoiding trouble.

Once trouble has occurred, however, institutions have developed numerous methods for assisting borrowers to return their loans to good standing. One institution in the Middle West makes it a practice to insist that payments on mortgages which have been turned over to the Collection Department be made in that department. Field men are instructed to arrange for an interview between the borrower and an officer of the association. Until the loan is again in good standing, payments are

received and all borrower contacts are made by the Collection Department. Many other institutions share the belief that a personal contact between the borrower in default and an officer of the institution is an essential part of collection procedure.

Another institution, with the most serious delinquency situation reported in the replies, recently has adopted what is called a "sore thumb" technique. The dollar amount of the arrearage is printed in red ink on the borrower's mortgage pass book each month. This running record of his progress back to normal has proved particularly effective with borrowers for whom delinquency is more a state of mind than an economic necessity.

PREPAYMENTS AND PENALTIES

The problem of prepayments is one which is of major importance to every institution replying to the questionnaire. Three types of prepayments are covered by the replies: (1) regular monthly payments in excess of the contractual amount; (2) partial or total prepayments of mortgages out of current income and savings; and (3) full repayment resulting from refinancing.

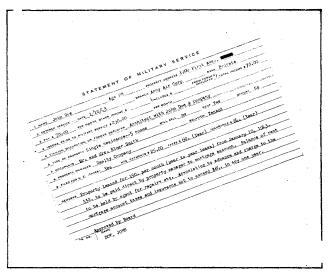
Although it is difficult to determine the exact nature of prepayments described in some replies, it is obvious that nearly all institutions are receiving substantial additional monthly payments from a number of borrowers. Almost all institutions appear to be not only willing to receive such payments but encourage them. One institution has circulated a pamphlet inviting additional payments on loans as well as the building of share accounts.

As to the extent of such prepayments, the experience varies widely. One group of institutions in a Mid-Western city reports that about 25 percent of its borrowers are prepaying their loans, and these payments (excluding payments-in-full) have increased from 7 percent of the outstanding loan balance in the first half of 1939 to nearly 13 percent in the first 5 months of 1943.

Another Mid-Western institution estimates that about 12 percent of its loans are being reduced by regular prepayments. Loans ranging from \$100 to \$1,000 are those upon which prepayments are most frequently made.

Lump sum prepayments also are being made in substantial amounts and are "increasing regularly." One institution reports: "A few years ago . . . this was of no consequence. At the present time this tem runs from \$50,000 to \$60,000 a month." The nstitution, which holds some 11,000 monthly pay-

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Few savings and loan associations have yet found it necessary to develop detailed methods for following-up on accounts for borrowers in the armed services. The eard above shows the type of file maintained by one Southern association.

ment mortgages, apparently is experiencing almost no other type of prepayment.

Another institution, with a normal monthly payment volume of about \$13,000, received in the month of April total principal payments of \$43,000. Of this amount, \$6,000 was in partial prepayments and \$23,000 represented payments-in-full.

Since most institutions draw a definite line of demarcation between the two types of prepayments described above and total repayments involving refinancing, it may be well to discuss at this point the general attitude of institutions on penalties.

Fully half of all institutions replying make no penalty charge for any type of prepayment. Their by-laws and contracts contain no such clauses and there has been little tendency to modify by-laws on this point. The other half of the replies indicate that although penalty clauses are in effect, management has exercised discretion in enforcing them. By far the largest number of institutions charging penalties make no attempt to enforce them when borrowers are making payments out of income or savings. Most replies indicate that up to 20 percent of the principal amount may be prepaid in any month without penalty. One institution permits up to 12 payments in advance without penalty.

Only one institution, located in the Southwest, reports that penalties are enforced on all types of prepayments. This association, which apparently has experienced an unusually heavy volume of prepayments, has increased penalties on all types of advance payments, and does not differentiate between payments out of income and refinancing.

PAYMENTS-IN-FULL

Replies on experience with payments-in-full provide the most interesting cross-section of experience. The wide divergence in attitude toward paymentsin-full is quite obviously attributable to the fact that refinancing and portfolio raiding, which are heavy in some sections, are still almost nonexistent in other areas. In cities where borrowers are making payments-in-full out of their own earnings or where property sales are the major cause of refinancing, institutions still appear to regard the trend of events as a natural and, on the whole, beneficial result of the War.

It appears, also, that the attitude of associations is tempered, to a considerable extent, by other factors. Associations reporting substantial lending activity appear to regard the problem more "lightly" than those in areas where lending has been materially curtailed. Some few institutions still are lending, during some months, more than the amount being received in prepayments. For these, the problem still is not acute. There are indications in the replies that even in these areas, the progressive effect of payments-in-full may soon dictate some change in policy.

In most areas, payments-in-full are most frequently being made out of the borrower's own income. One Eastern institution reports that all payments in the past few months have been from this source. An institution in the same area cites the example of 88 loans paid in full in February, March, and April; of these 54 were paid without refinancing. A Mid-Western association states that of 42 loans retired in the first 4 months of this year in advance of schedule, 39 were paid out of income or savings. For another institution, refinancing has involved only one-third of payments-in-full. Instances are reported of property sales for cash in which no refinancing is involved.

In some areas, of course, refinancing has been heavy, but the majority of cases involve the sale of properties. One Mid-Western institution states that, while about half of all prepayments involve the refinancing of mortgages, there is "practically no portfolio raiding." An Eastern institution states that 70 percent of the mortgages retired because of refinancing involved properties sold to another individual. In another city "a definite decline in the refinancing of mortgages by other lenders" is reported.

On the other hand, an association in a Middle-Atlantic city states that at least 50 percent of payments-in-full involve definite instances of "raiding." Other replies indicate that this type of prepayment is a substantial factor in the total picture.

For payments-in-full, institution attitude on penalties varies widely. With the exceptions noted above, all institutions charge penalty interest (2 or 3 months) on payments involving refinancing. Where borrowers prepay out of their own income, about half of the institutions now are charging full penalties and about half are making concessions depending on the case.

It is interesting that one Southern institution which previously has made no penalty charges of any kind now is considering the imposition of the usual interest charge where loans are refinanced. This institution had previously lowered interest rates on loans hoping to prevent payments-in-full. It also has reduced initial charges to a minimum. These measures have "failed to greatly reduce these prepayments."

BORROWERS IN THE ARMED SERVICES

With the decrease in normal collection problems there have come some added problems. The question of how best to serve the interests of borrowers in the armed services is one which is receiving attention by all associations. To date, however, the draft has not placed any considerable burden upon savings and loan collection machinery.

Some associations state that no borrowers have been drafted. Others report that none of their drafted borrowers has asked for waivers of principal payments after being inducted into the service. In a Western institution, 150 borrowers are now in the services and 145 of these are making regular contractual payments on schedule. Only four have requested waiver of regular payments. One additional loan has developed into a problem case and is in process of foreclosure.

A typical experience for the country appears to be that of an Eastern institution which out of 5,600 loans has only 35 accounts on which waiver has been asked. This institution comments that it does not expect to be affected to any considerable extent by drafting of family heads since most of its borrowers fall in an older age group. Another believes most of its borrowers will be draft-exempt because of their employment in critical industries.

There are exceptions to the rule. One institution reports that approximately 5 percent of its borrowers already are in the armed services, and it is believed

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WHO BUILDS AMERICA'S HOUSES?

That residential construction has been essentially a small-scale industry is a truism of long standing. A recent study by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of 11 war-industry areas indicates that 1940 and 1941 brought a change in the relative contributions of small- and large-scale builders to total single-family construction.

■ IN the past 2 years such emphasis has been placed on the large scale of war-housing construction operations that we tend to forget the essential small-scale character of the pre-war American home-building industry. Of course, it is too early to state what the effects of the War will be on the scale of operations in home construction. Undoubtedly the number of large operators will increase as a result of the war-housing program. Data for 1941 indicate, however, that up to the beginning of the war, the small operator was still the most numerous even though he constructed a diminishing share of total housing.

A study by the Bureau of Labor Statistics covering a 2-year period highlights the fact that in 1941, as a result of the initial efforts to stimulate construction of housing for defense workers, an increasing number of builders built 10 or more houses and accounted for a considerably larger portion of all privately financed single-family houses than they had in 1940. A diminishing proportion, but still almost threequarters of all builders, constructed only one house a year in 1941. At the same time, their share of total construction dropped appreciably.

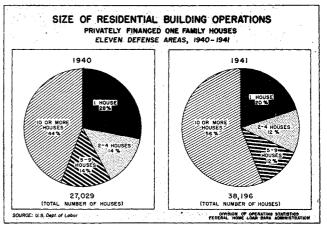
The trend toward larger operations in 1941 was accompanied by a further concentration of building in suburban areas. Large-scale operators increased their proportionate share of total construction in suburban areas in the 1940–1941 period.

SCOPE OF STUDY

This study by the Bureau of Labor Statistics is the result of a survey of building-scale operations in 1940 and 1941, based on information obtained in the Defense Housing Survey. From the 138 areas covered in that survey, which was conducted in cooperation with the Works Progress Administration, 11 industrial centers were selected for study. Although the cities chosen are not necessarily entirely typical of the country as a whole, they have sufficiently wide geographic distribution to indicate prevailing trends, at least in war-production centers.

During the period of this study, building activity in the communities covered increased as a result of

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The accompanying chart indicates the extent to which even the first phases of the war-housing construction program affected the size of building operations in the 11 areas surveyed by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. In 1940, builders of 10 or more houses constructed 44 percent of single-family structures. In the following year, more than 55 percent of such building was carried out by larger companies.

generally improved economic conditions together with large-scale migrations to war-production centers. In 1940 there were 27,029 single-family units constructed by 10,153 builders. The number built in 1941 rose to 38,196 but the number of builders increased only 500. Thus the 1940 average per builder was 2.7 houses; in 1941 it rose to 3.6.

LARGE-SCALE OPERATIONS INCREASE

This increase in the average number of houses per builder in 1941 was the result, chiefly, of the larger part played by builders of 10 or more houses. In 1940 there were 494 builders in this size group -4.9percent of all those covered in the survey. They built 11,894, or 44 percent of all single-family units. By 1941 the number of these large-scale operators had increased to 661 (6.2 percent) and their volume of business rose to 21,894-56 percent of the total annual production surveyed.

The greatest field of expansion for these largescale operators was in the suburbs of the cities selected for study. Lower land costs and the availability of large tracts of desirable sites are two major reasons for the greater prominence of large builders in outlying areas. Whereas in 1940, 254 builders erected 6,452 houses in the suburbs, the next year 365 built 11,598 single-family units. Their proportion of total construction rose from 45 percent in 1940 to 56 percent in the following year. Builders of 10 or more houses averaged 32 units in 1941 compared to 24 the year before.

It may be that a continuation of this suburban trend in the post-war period will bring about a fundamental change in the traditionally small scale of the private construction industry. On the other hand, the large stock of single lots already on hand in every community and partially completed subdivisions both are factors encouraging smaller-scale operations by individual builders. This is particularly true because of the multiple ownership of such subdivisions and lots.

Small Builders Still Most Numerous

However, even in surburban areas where large builders made their greatest gains, builders of only one house a year were about three times as numerous as all other size groups combined. Thus it is apparent that the small-scale character of the private building industry had not, at the close of 1941, been substantially altered.

These one-house builders made up the great majority of all builders included in the study although they constructed but a minor portion of single-family houses. In 1940, as many as 7,618 builders, or 75 percent, had built only one house each. Their activities accounted for 28.2 percent of all construction included in the survey. The following year, although there had been a slight numerical gain in this class of builders, their proportion to all operators had shown a small decrease, and they did a considerably smaller fraction of total business only 20 percent.

The other categories of smaller builders experienced much the same trends in their proportion of the business. The combined number of builders who built from 2 to 9 houses a year increased from 2,000 in 1940 to 2,300 in 1942. However, their share of total construction dropped from 28 percent to 24 percent.

GEOGRAPHICAL VARIATIONS

The most outstanding fact brought out by this survey is the universal increase in large-scale operations. Except in Fort Wayne, all areas showed a gain in the number of builders of 10 or more houses. Baltimore, which led the 11 areas in total activity, was also first in the proportion of large-scale operations. Builders of 10 or more houses made up 17 percent of all builders compared with a range from 2 to 10 percent in other communities. In Baltimore during 1941, the builders in this size group did 84 percent of the business, an increase from 75 percent the year before. This condition was not unusual for the area as previous studies had indicated the same trend toward large-scale construction.

The scale of operations by the individual holder of the greatest number of building permits was also greatly expanded in eight of the areas studied. The outstanding example was in Houston where the largest builder had constructed 59 houses in 1940; the next year permits were issued to a single builder to cover 544 houses.

In spite of these trends toward larger operations, in five areas—Pittsburgh, Savannah, Buffalo, Birmingham, and Bridgeport—at least 70 percent of the builders had constructed only one house during either 1940 or 1941. Freeport (New York) also had a high percentage of small-scale operators but the average for this area was high because of the large number of houses constructed by builders of 10 or more single-family units.

LIMITATIONS OF DATA

Data for this study were obtained from building permit records or, if none were available, from reliable local sources. Thus, even though the information does not represent complete coverage in any given area, it does reflect a preponderance of privately financed single-family construction in these war-production centers during 1940 and 1941. Single-family houses (including detached, semidetached, and row houses) made up the major portion of all privately financed residential construction during this period. However, since the builders included in this study might well have built other types of dwelling units, facts brought out in this analysis of one-family dwellings cannot be regarded as conclusive evidence of their total building activity in either year.

Appointment of Director

■ ANNOUNCEMENT has been made by the FHLBA of the appointment of Frank L. Williams as a Class B Director of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Los Angeles. Mr. Williams, president of the State Building and Loan Association, Stockton, California, has been appointed to the unexpired portion of a term ending December 31, 1943. He will replace the late Roy W. Bagby of Santa Cruz.

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Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

NEW INFORMATION ON SHARE CAPITAL

■ NEARLY \$1,350,000,000 of private savings were invested in all operating savings and loan associations from May 1942 through April 1943. According to estimates for the entire industry compiled by the Division of Operating Statistics, share repurchases during the same 1-year period amounted to \$857,000,000, the equivalent of \$64 withdrawn for each \$100 placed in the accounts of operating savings and loan associations.

In past years share-capital trends for the savings and loan industry have been estimated largely on the basis of the experience of institutions insured by the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation. These were the only institutions for which comprehensive figures were available. During the last 13 months, the Division of Operating Statistics has been able to secure the cooperation of a group of uninsured member institutions as well as of associations which are not members of the Federal Home Loan Bank System. These reports, first received in April 1942, now have been tabulated for a full year. It is, therefore, possible for the first time to estimate the experience of all savings and loan associations in the country and to contrast the record of various types of associations.

Comparisons by Class of Institution

Federal savings and loan associations appear to have registered the most substantial progress among all types of associations. During the period from May 1942 through April 1943, new private investments in these institutions amounted to \$628,000,000. It is evident, therefore, that they received approximately half of the total volume of new capital invested in savings and loan associations.

Total withdrawals of funds held by Federal savings and loan associations amounted to approximately \$340,000,000. The ratio of repurchases to new investments for the one-year period, therefore, was 54 percent. This compares with the 64-percent ratio for all types of institutions.

Insured State members received new private capital amounting to \$330,000,000 during the year, and their withdrawals totaled \$208,000,000. The ratio of their repurchases to new investments for the year was 63—above that for Federal institutions but still well below the ratio for the other two classes.

Upon the basis of figures reported by cooperating institutions, uninsured member associations of the

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Federal Home Loan Bank System accounted for new share investments of \$207,000,000 in the year, and their repurchases totaled more than \$168,000,000. The ratio of 81 percent between their repurchases and new investments is the highest for any class of institution, according to the new estimates.

New share investments in institutions which are neither members of the Federal Home Loan Bank System nor insured by the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation amounted to \$184,000,000 during the year. The total volume of their repurchases was \$141,000,000—a ratio of 77 percent.

CURRENT EXPERIENCE

Beginning with this issue the REVIEW will publish a current monthly estimate of new private investments and repurchases for the entire savings and loan industry. This information will be included in the Monthly Survey Section, in future months.

As the accompanying table shows, investments in savings and loan shares amounted to well over \$100,000,000 in April, a gain of nearly 30 percent over the same month of last year. Repurchases also gained, but were only 4 percent higher than withdrawals in April 1942. The net increase in private share capital of all savings and loan associations was \$42,000,000 in April of this year as against about \$19,000,000 in April of last year.

Federal associations showed the largest net gain in share capital in the month. The \$26,000,000 added to their holdings of private share capital was more than double the increase recorded by any other class of association.

Share investments and repurchases, April 1943 [Amounts are shown in thousands of dollars]

	All associa- tions	Federals	Insured mem- bers	Unin- sured mem- bers ¹	Non- mem- bers ¹
Share investments: Year ending April 1943 April 1943.April 1942. Percent change.	113,228 88,051	$\$627, 714 \\ 53, 675 \\ 38, 301 \\ +40$	\$329, 917 29, 567 19, 892 +49		\$183, 548 13, 848 12, 894 +7
Repurchases: Year ending April 1943 April 1943 Percent change	69, 125	339, 53827, 77424, 088+15	208, 321 19, 397 16, 355 +19	$168,067 \\ 14,148 \\ 16,000 \\ -12$	$141,094 \\ 10,269 \\ 12,682 \\ -19$
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¹ New investments and repurchases in uninsured savings and loan associations have been estimated for the first time from a sample of reporting institutions.

FROM CONSTRUCTION TO PRODUCTION

By the end of 1942, the major portion of total war construction had been completed or was well under way. First quarter 1943 figures for both publicly and privately financed construction indicate that manpower and critical materials can be shifted in increasing quantities to other lines of work.

■ IN the past several months a number of cities formerly considered centers of acute labor scarcity have become recruiting grounds for certain types of workers. In Washington, D. C., for example, West Coast ship building firms have recruited several thousand workers in recent months. The majority of these recruitments have been from the ranks of unskilled and semi-skilled workers formerly employed on such war-construction jobs as the Pentagon Building.

This situation is developing in varying degrees in many cities throughout the country. The peak of construction of war plants, army encampments, office buildings, and even residential projects probably is past. Although publicly financed projects to be completed this year will account for sizable expenditures, it has been estimated that total construction during 1943 may be only half of the nearly \$14,000,000,000 spent for this purpose in 1942.

The progressive completion of the construction stage of the war program will release growing amounts of manpower and critical materials for actual production. The extent to which these scarce resources may be put to other uses than those for which they were employed in 1942 is indicated by the charts on this and the next page.

For all construction, including publicly and privately financed work, the peak of activity was reached in the third quarter of 1942. In those 3 months, according to estimates of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, total construction expenditures amounted to nearly \$4,500,000,000. This figure topped by nearly \$1,000,000,000 expenditures in any previous quarterly period since the beginning of the War.

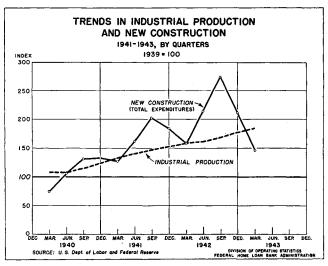
In the fourth quarter of last year, total construction expenditures dropped to about \$3,500,000,000. In the first quarter of this year, they amounted to less than \$2,500,000,000.

PRIVATE CONSTRUCTION DECREASES

In estimating the trend of construction activity in future War years, it is well to remember that total privately financed construction has been on the decline since the Autumn of 1941. In the third quarter of that year, total private construction aggregated \$1,800,000,000. An almost steady decline has since occurred in expenditures for privately financed projects, including residential and non-residential structures. In the third quarter of 1942, construction financed by private funds was more than 50 percent less than in the same period of the previous year. The decline continued through the next two 3-month periods. In the first quarter of this year total private construction expenditures totaled \$395,000,000—almost 50 percent less than in any quarterly period since 1939.

For publicly financed projects, the peak of expenditures was reached in the third quarter of 1942. Public construction outlay in that period amounted to more than \$3,600,000,000---a figure almost 40 percent above all public construction expenditures in the entire year of 1940.

Although spending for Government construction projects declined in the next two quarters, it remained well above \$2,500,000,000 from October through December. For the first quarter of this



As the chart above shows, the peak of total war construction probably was reached toward the end of last year. Contrasted with the current downward trend of total construction expenditures is the steady upward tendency of total industrial production.

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year, public expenditures for construction still were near \$2,000,000,000—higher than for the same quarter of 1942 or in any comparable 3-month period prior to that time.

Due to these divergent trends, private construction, which during 1940 accounted for nearly twothirds of total construction, made up only about one-fourth of 1942 totals. In the first three months of this year it declined to about one-sixth of the total expended during the period.

PUBLIC AND PRIVATE HOUSING EXPENDITURES

As far as privately financed *residential* construction is concerned, the peak in activity was reached in the third quarter of 1941, when total expenditures for all nonfarm dwelling units amounted to more than \$900,000,000. Expenditures for privately financed residential construction in the last quarter of 1942 aggregated only \$234,000,000, and in the first quarter of this year such construction was valued at only \$143,000,000.

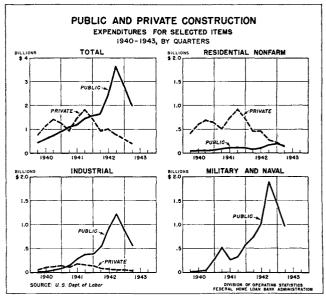
For publicly financed residential construction, expenditures have followed a rising trend although until recent months they have been smaller than for private home building. In 1940 Governmentfinanced projects accounted for expenditures of only \$199,000,000—approximately 8 percent of the total residential expenditures in the year. In 1942, however, Government housing projects—including both temporary and permanent construction—accounted for expenditures of \$528,000,000, about one-third of total housing-construction expenditures. From January through March of this year, Government housing expenditures slightly exceeded those of private builders—\$165,000,000 as against \$143,000,000, according to Bureau of Labor Statistics estimates.

The increase in Government construction of housing facilities has not been sufficient to offset the heavy decline in private expenditures. Since the third quarter of 1941, when combined public and private housing outlays totaled more than \$1,000,-000,000, housing-construction expenditures have steadily decreased. In each of the last three quarterly periods, total public and private housing expenditures have been less than half of the peak reached in late 1941.

OTHER TYPES OF BUILDING

Industrial and commercial construction have followed the same general pattern outlined above, but the shift from private to public financing has been even more marked in this building category. In 1940, privately financed industrial expansion ac-

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With the exception of Government expenditures for war-housing construction, which remained near their all-time peak levels, the trends in all other types of construction expenditures have followed a downward course in recent months. It is to be noted that public housing expenditures, for the first time, exceeded those by private individuals in the first quarter of this year. It is to be remembered, however, that much of this outlay involved temporary housing.

counted for expenditures of \$415,000,000, more than three times public expenditures for these purposes. In the last quarter of 1942 new privately financed industrial construction amounted to only \$67,000,000. In the first quarter of 1943 it had dropped again to \$35,000,000.

Government-financed industrial construction accounted for expenditures of \$139,000,000 in 1940. In 1942 Government expenditures for plant expansion aggregated more than \$3,000,000,000. In the last half of the year alone, these expenditures exceeded the \$2,000,000,000 mark. Expenditures in the first quarter of 1943 for industrial expansion still were larger than in the same months of 1942. However, in this category of construction, as well as in military and naval establishments, it is evident that the end of 1942 probably brought the peak in activity.

DOWNWARD TREND CONTINUES

As the REVIEW goes to press, the Bureau of Labor Statistics has issued preliminary estimates of total construction for the second quarter of 1942. Continuing the downward trend mentioned above, total expenditures for public and private construction failed to reach \$2,000,000,000 from April to June.

Total outlays for public and private housing construction showed a seasonal increase. Governmentfinanced expenditures totaled more than \$200,000,000 and private construction about \$190,000,000.

HONOR ROLL OF WAR BOND SALES



The Honor Roll is shorter this month, but 647 member institutions of the Federal Home Loan Bank System are maintaining a record of selling bonds

and stamps equivalent to at least one percent of their assets each month. Still more, 291 of these institutions had made sales, through May, at least double the minimum amount required for inclusion in the Honor Roll.

Total sales to the public during the month of May dropped to \$23,700,000, and purchases by member institutions for their own portfolios declined to \$18,000,000. Although the combined total of nearly \$42,000,000 is many times smaller than the record month of April, with its Second War Loan drive, it is well in excess of total sales and purchases in any month of 1942.

Several institutions continue to make outstanding records. The First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Chicago, Illinois, again led all other member insitutions with total sales in May of \$2,315,000. Since the first of this year, the association has sold bonds and stamps amounting to \$6,808,000-equal to 56 percent of its assets! The Haller Savings and Loan Association of Chicago, Illinois, reports sales equal to nearly 300 percent of its assets. And four additional associations already have sold well over 100 percent of the total amount of their assets in the first 5 months of this year.

To be eligible for the Honor Roll this month, institutions must have sold bonds and stamps equal to 5 percent of assets. The first asterisk represents sales of 10 percent, and each additional asterisk stands for another 5 percent of assets. The printing of the name of an association in italics indicates sales equal to more than 100 percent of assets; and the printing of the name in capital and small capital letters shows sales of more than 200 percent. Each star indicates additional sales amounting to 5 percent.

NO. 1-BOSTON

NO. 1—BOSTON Bristol Federal Savings and Loan Association, Bristol, Conn. First Federal Savings and Loan Association, Greenwich, Conn. First Federal Savings and Loan Association, Norwalk, Conn. **First Federal Savings and Loan Association, Providence, R. I. Savings Bank of Manchester, Manchester, Conn. Suffolk Co-operative Federal Savings and Loan Association, Boston, Mass. Telephone Workers Building and Loan Association, Providence, R. I. Uxbridge Co-operative Bank, Uxbridge, Mass. Waterbury Building and Loan Association, Windsor, Vt. **Windsor Federal Savings and Loan Association, Windsor, Vt.

NO. 2-NEW YORK

**Amsterdam Federal Savings and Loan Association, Amsterdam, N. Y. Berkeley Savings and Loan Association, Newark, N. J. Bloomfield Savings Institution, Bloomfield, N. J. *Bronx Federal Savings and Loan Association, Bronx, N. Y.

NO. 3-PITTSBURGH

Pa. Olney Savings and Loan Association, Philadelphia, Pa. Umey Savings and Loan Association, Philadelphia, Pa.
Peoples Federal Savings and Loan Association, Brackenridge, Pa.
Pioneer Savings and Loan Association of Bloomfield, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Protected Future Savings and Loan Association, Philadelphia, Pa.
*****Real Estate Loan Association, Philadelphia, Pa.
Reliance Building and Loan Association, Altoona, Pa.
*Reliance Federal Savings and Loan Association, Philadelphia, Pa.
*****************Roxborough-Manayunk Federal Savings and Loan Association, Philadelphia, Pa.

NO. 4-WINSTON-SALEM

**Aberdeen Building and Loan Association, Aberdeen, N. C. Albermarle Building and Loan Association, Elizabeth City, N. C. Arlington Federal Savings and Loan Association, Baltimore, Md. **Atlantic Federal Savings and Loan Association, Baltimore, Md. *Bartow Federal Savings and Loan Association, Baltimore, Md. Belmont Building and Loan Association, Belmont, N. C.

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NO. 8-DES MOINES

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*********Owantonna Federal Savings and Loan Association, Owatonna, Minn.
** Perry Federal Savings and Loan Association. Perry, Iowa
** Postal Employees' Building Loan and Savings Association, St. Louis, Mo.
*Public Service Company's Savings and Loan Association, Kansas City, Mo.
Red Oak Building and Savings Association, Red Oak, Iowa
Sentinel Federal Savings and Loan Association, Kansas City, Mo.
*Slayton Building and Loan Association, St. Joseph, Mo.
*Standard Federal Savings and Loan Association, Kansas City, Mo.
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NO. 10-TOPEKA

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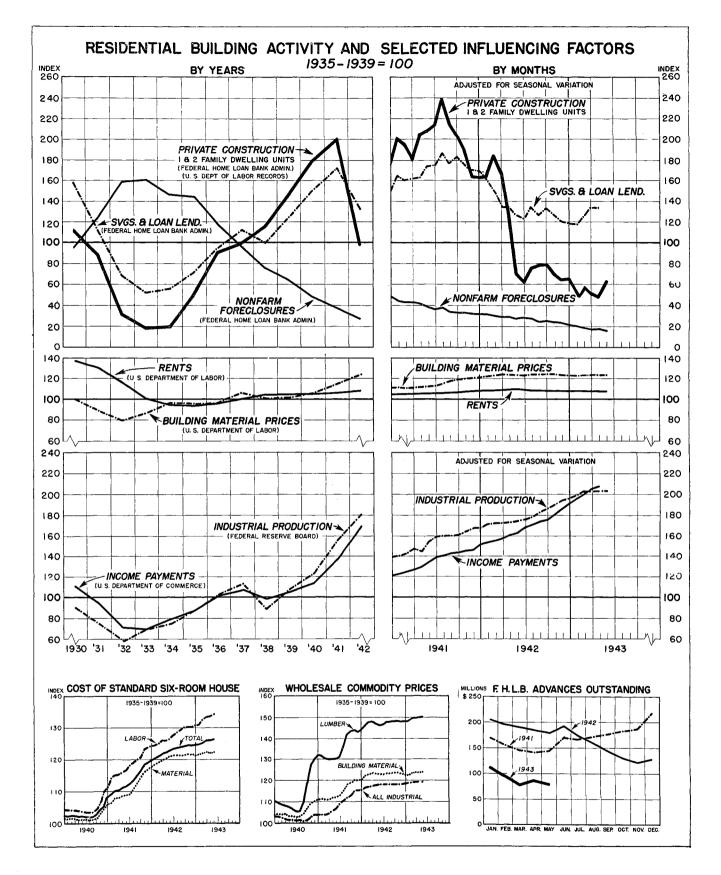
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NO. 12-LOS ANGELES

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MONTHLY SURVEY « » æ « >>

HIGHLIGHTS

- I. All types of building shared in the April to May gain of 21 percent in the number of permits issued for residential dwelling units in all urban areas. In spite of recent increases, total residential building in urban areas, as reported to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, was still more than 28 percent below May of last year and 57 percent less than in the same month of 1941.
 - A. Construction of privately financed 1- and 2-family structures showed the most pronounced gain in the month—26 percent. The nearly 10,000 structures for which permits were issued in May accounted for over half of all home construction.
 - B. Construction of Government-financed units also gained over April and accounted for some 6,500 of the permits issued in May. This is about half the number issued for publicly financed construction in May 1942.

II. For the third successive month, the volume of home financing in May reflected an upward trend in activity from April levels.

- A. Recordings of nonfarm mortgages of \$20,000 or less totaled \$327,000,000 in May—6 percent above April and only 7 percent below the volume for the same month of 1942.
- B. New lending of all savings and loan associations gained less than seasonally from April to May. The volume for the month was, however, larger than for May 1942. This is the first time since late 1941 that lending activity has exceeded the total for the same month of the previous year.
- III. Foreclosures of nonfarm mortgages resumed their downward trend, after gaining slightly from March to April. The rate for the 12 months ending in May 1943 was 1.6 cases per 1,000 dwellings as against a rate of 2.3 per 1,000 dwellings in the previous 12 months.
- IV. Total costs of building the standard 6-room house gained fractionally in May and the index rose to 126.2—not quite 3 percent above May 1942.
- V. New private share capital continued to be received in substantial volume by insured savings and loan associations in the month. Repurchases of shares compared favorably with any like month since 1939. As a result, these institutions reported a net gain of \$50,000,000 in total holdings of private share capital.

SUMMARY

The American wage and salary earner continued in May to add substantially to his savings both by buying war bonds and stamps and by placing increasing sums in the hands of private financial institutions. Although total war-bond sales during the month were down 9 percent from the record-breaking figure reported for April, practically all of this reduction was in the F and G series which do not as a whole represent direct savings of individuals. Even with this curtailment from activity during the month of the Second War Loan drive, the total May sales of \$1,335,000,000 exceeded those of war bonds in any other prior month.

Sales of Series E savings bonds to the public totaled \$995,000,000 during May-only 1 percent less than in April and 22 percent *more* than in the previous high month of January 1943. Postal savings deposits, which showed relatively little growth prior to 1942. have expanded by \$237,000,000, or 18 percent, in the 12 months ending in May of this year. During the same period \$534,000,000, or 20 percent, more was added to the private share accounts of insured savings and loan associations.

With mortgage lending opportunities curtailed as they have been over the past year, the combined portfolio for insured associations has risen but \$89,-000,000 during the 12 months—an expansion equal to

only one-sixth that reported on the savings side of the ledger. At the close of May, \$3,194,000,000 of savings were invested in these insured institutions while mortgage holdings amounted to \$2,893,000,000. A year earlier, loans held actually exceeded private share capital by \$141,000,000.

The effects of the "tight" lending market and the necessity for large-scale non-inflationary financing of war expenditures has led to several shifts in the investment policies of savings and loan associations during the past year. Among insured associations, for which most complete data are available. Government-bond holdings now are about five times as great as in mid-year 1942, while total mortgage holdings have increased but 3 percent during the past 12 months. Cash holdings, meanwhile, have risen

[1935 - 1939 = 100]

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steadily while borrowings and Government share capital have been curtailed through use of excess funds in the hands of insured associations.

BUSINESS CONDITIONS—Production and employment level off

For the first time since the Summer of 1941, the total volume of industrial production failed in May to rise from month to month. The seasonally adjusted index of the Federal Reserve Board remained stationary at an estimated 203 in May (1935–1939=100).

In spite of the general leveling off of total production, it should be noted that production of war material still was at all-time peaks. The retarding factor in recent months has been the production of nondurable goods for individual consumption.

In the past 12 months, the index for durable manufacturing industries has gained more than 25 percent, from 239 in May 1942 to an estimated 300 in May of this year. The index for nondurable manufactures has gained only 7 percent in the same 12-month period, and stood at 148 at the end of May.

Declines in total employment in industries manufacturing nondurable goods brought a slight drop in total factory employment in May, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Employment in durable goods industries advanced slightly.

In May the value of department store sales decreased more than seasonally—5 percent—from April. The Federal Reserve Board's seasonally adjusted index was still, however, 15 percent above the level of May 1942. Early June department store activity remained at May levels, and sales spurted toward the middle of the month as a result of volume buying of shoes.

Generally improved weather conditions for all areas, except three Western States, have materially changed estimates for crop yields. Indications now point to nearly normal acreage and yields. It still is believed that yields per acre will be reduced from the unusually high level of last season.

The yield on partially tax-exempt Government bonds continued to decline. Federal Reserve Board figures indicate that longer-term bonds showed an average yield of 1.85 in early June. Comparable figures for May and April were 1.92 and 2.02.

BUILDING ACTIVITY—All types of residential construction gain

Substantial increases in both public and private construction brought May building of new family-

dwelling units in all urban areas to a level 21 percent above April. As a result of the month-to-month gain, May permits, as reported by the Labor Department, were only 28 percent less than in May 1942.

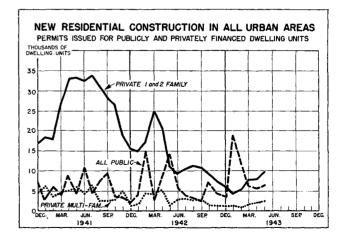
It must be remembered that May 1942 saw the first sharp drop in privately financed residential construction following the initial "Stop-Construction" order of the WPB. Thus, in spite of the current favorable trend, it is obvious that total residential building still remains at a relatively low point as compared with 1940 and 1941.

Privately financed construction, however, has recently shown a tendency to recover from the small volume reported in January of this year. Since then, the number of permits issued for privately financed 1- and 2-family dwellings has recorded month-tomonth gains. The 26 percent increase reported from April to May brought private construction of these units to nearly 10,000—a level only about 12 percent below May 1942.

The April-to-May gain of 21 percent in the number of permits for multi-family dwellings was slightly less than for smaller structures. But the May figure was 66 percent above May 1942, reflecting the recent trend toward the construction of larger, material-saving units.

Recovering from recent losses, but still well below the peak level of 18,000 units reported in January of this year, permits for publicly financed structures in urban areas totaled 6,574 in May. This was only about one-half of the total number of publicly financed units for which permits were issued in the same month of last year.

As a result of the greater percentage gain in privately financed construction than in public building during the month, units financed by private mortgage lenders continued to account for an increasing



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share of total residential construction. New privately financed construction accounted for just less than two-thirds of all building in May of this year. Last May, for the first time on record, public construction exceeded that of private industry, as evidenced by permits issued in a single month. [TABLES 1 and 2.]

BUILDING COSTS—Wholesale and

retail prices increase

The total cost of constructing the standard 6-room frame house rose fractionally from April to May, and at the end of the month the index stood at an estimated level of 126.2. Both labor and material shared in this slight increase. Labor costs are now 34 percent above the average month of 1935–1939 while material costs are 22 percent higher than in this base period.

In May, total costs were less than 3 percent higher than in the same month of last year. It is to be noted, however, that prices of materials were only 1 percent higher this year than last while labor rose more than 6 percent during this 12-month period.

Construction costs for the standard house

[Average month of 1935-1939=100]

Element of cost	May 1943	April 1943	Per- cent change	May 1942	Per- cent change
Material Labor	$122.\ 2$ 134. 3	121. 8 133. 4	+0.3 +0.7	$121. \ 0 \\ 126. \ 4$	+1.0 +6.3
Total	126. 2	125. 7	+0.4	122.8	+2.8

Wholesale building-material prices as reported by the U. S. Department of Labor moved upward fractionally during the month of May, carrying the composite index (1935-1939=100) to 123.4. This was an increase of 0.2 percent from the previous month and 0.4 percent from May of 1942. [TABLES 3, 4, and 5.]

MORTGAGE LENDING—Activity exceeds May 1942

For the first month since December 1941, the volume of new mortgage loans made by savings and loan associations during May exceeded \$100,000,000. By way of comparison, this represents gains of 2 percent from the previous month and 5 percent from May 1942.

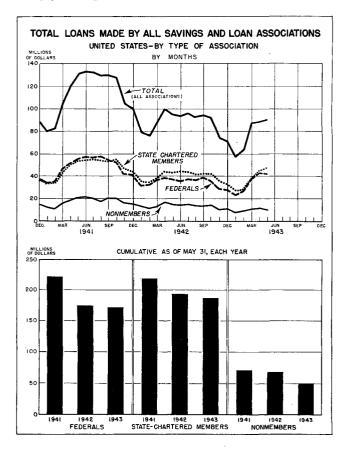
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New mortgage loans distributed by purpose [Amounts are shown in thousands of dollars]

Purpose	May 1943	April 1943	Per- cent change	May 1942	Per- cent change
Construction Home purchase Refinancing Reconditioning Other purposes	$\$9, 039 \\ 67, 826 \\ 14, 843 \\ 2, 606 \\ 6, 176 \end{cases}$	$\begin{array}{c} 65,088\\ 15,040\\ 2,484\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} -8.3 \\ +4.2 \\ -1.3 \\ +4.9 \\ -1.5 \end{array}$	$13,607 \\ 3,866$	-48.7+27.7+9.1-32.6-9.6
Total	100,490	98, 735	+1.8	95, 009	+5.8

Since the beginning of the War, an increasing proportion of savings and loan investments in home mortgages have been to finance the purchase of existing structures. During the reporting month home-purchase loans aggregated approximately \$68,000,000, the largest volume for any month for which data are available. During the January-May period 22 percent more was loaned for this purpose than in the same interval of last year.

Loans in the remaining purpose categories, with the exception of refinancing loans, have declined sharply from pre-war levels. The volume of refinanc-



ing loans made during the first 5 months of this year exceeded that of the same 1942 period by 3 percent, but was 14 percent below the comparable period of 1941. Construction loans, meanwhile, were 62 percent under last year's level and 76 percent less than in May 1941. [TABLES 6 and 7.]

MORTGAGE RECORDINGS—Gain over previous month again noted

For the third successive month, the volume of nonfarm mortgages of \$20,000 or less topped the total for the previous month. The \$327,092,000 reported was about 6 percent greater than in April and only about 7 percent below May 1942 activity.

It must be remembered, however, that recordings for May 1942 were at a low level, as compared with the same months of previous years. The expanded volume of recordings reported in May of this year was about 25 percent less than in the same month of 1941, and 12 percent under May 1940.

These qualifications should not be permitted to obscure the fact that mortgage-recording activity has shown a marked improvement in recent months. In January of this year, recordings were about 30 percent below January of 1942 and appeared likely to shrink still further. Since March, however, the volume has increased so substantially month by month that the year-to-year comparison has improved progressively.

Mutual savings banks reported the largest percentage gain in activity during the month—16 percent. Other types of lenders had gains ranging from 4 to 9 percent from April. Insurance company recordings showed a slight decline.

On the basis of May activity, savings and loan associations accounted for nearly one-third of total

Mortgage recordings by type of mortgagee

[Amounts are shown in thousands of dollars]

Type of lender	Percent change from April 1943	Percent of May 1943 amount	cordings	Per- cent of total record- ings
Savings and loan associa- tions Insurance companies Banks, trust companies Mutual savings banks Individuals Others	+6.0 -0.5 +3.6 +16.3 +6.5 +8.9	7.5 20.1 3.9	$\begin{array}{r} 109,155\\ 275,172\\ 49,538\\ 295,960 \end{array}$	$8.1 \\ 20.3 \\ 3.7$
Total	+ 5. 9	100. 0	1, 353, 633	100. 0

recordings. Individual lenders and banks and trust companies reported 21 and 20 percent of the aggregate amount.

Cumulatively, recordings for the first 5 months of this year were nearly 19 percent below those of last year and 24 percent less than in the same months of 1941. Reductions in mortgage recordings of more than 26 percent from the January-May period of last year were reported for insurance companies, commercial banks, and mutual savings banks, while individuals, at the other extreme, had a contraction of but 1 percent. Among institutional lenders, savings and loan associations showed the greatest resistance to the general decline by recording only 14 percent less than in the first 5 months of 1942. [TABLES 8 and 9.]

FORECLOSURES—Downward trend resumed

Only 2,375 nonfarm real-estate foreclosures were reported in May 1943. This was 2 percent less than the total for April and 38 percent below the same month of last year.

The April-to-May change is particularly favorable since a seasonal increase of 6 percent in foreclosures is normally expected. The seasonally adjusted index dropped 8 percent to reach a new low point at the end of May-16.9, or about 83 percent below the average for the 1935-1939 base period.

Thus far in 1943, 11,962 foreclosures have been completed. This is about 38 percent below the total number of cases reported in the same period of 1942.

For the 12-month period ending in May, the foreclosure rate for the country was 1.6 cases per 1,000 dwellings. In the previous 12 months, cases were completed at a rate of 2.3 per 1,000 dwellings. [TABLE 10.]

FHLB SYSTEM---New

lending activity declines

Returning to "normal" war-time levels, after the unusual activity noted in April, new lending of the 12 Federal Home Loan Banks in May amounted to \$2,710,000. Repayments also moved in opposition to normal seasonal trends and gained one-third over the April volume. The \$10,858,000 repaid by member institutions in May of this year was slightly less than the amount retired in the same month of 1942, but was nearly double that for any other comparable month since 1933.

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As a result of these two opposite movements, the balance of advances outstanding declined from \$87,369,000 on April 30 to \$79,221,000 at the end of May. Since the normal trend in outstanding Bank advances is upward at this time of the year (due to the building season), the balance outstanding at the end of May was the lowest for any similar month since May 1935. [TABLE 12.]

INSURED ASSOCIATIONS—Favorable repurchase record in May

Private savings continued to be received in volume by insured savings and loan associations during May. In the month, \$78,000,000 of private capital was invested in these institutions, while \$34,000,000 was repurchased by shareholders—a ratio of \$43 withdrawn for every \$100 received. This represents the most favorable repurchase relationship yet demonstrated during any comparable month since the inception of the series in 1936. In no other May on record have withdrawals been less than 51 percent of new share receipts during the month.

Whereas private repurchasable capital of all insured associations expanded by \$50,000,000 during May, their mortgage holdings continued the slow increase noted since January of this year. Only \$11,000,000 more mortgages were on the books of these associations at the end of May than a month previous. As a result of this unequal growth, the insured institutions as a group were able to add about \$11,000,000 to their holdings of Government bonds while reducing their outstanding borrowings.

FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS

Although the abated pace of mortgage-lending activity, repayments of borrowings, and repurchase of Government investments might have been expected to deter growth in the resources of the Federal

Progress in number and assets of Federals

[Amounts are shown in thousands of dollars]

	Nur	nber	Approxim	ate assets		
Class of associa- tion	May 31, 1943	Apr. 30, 1943	May 31, 1943	Apr. 30, 1943		
New Converted	$\begin{array}{c} 639\\ 827\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 640\\ 826\end{array}$	\$764, 126 1, 616, 115	\$752, 515 1, 597, 316		
Total	1, 466	1, 466	2, 380, 241	2, 349, 831		

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associations, an expansion of \$209,000,000 in assets has been noted over the past 12 months. This is a greater increase than was reported from May 1941 to May 1942, and was the equivalent of more than two-thirds the rise during the year ending in May 1941. This growth in resources has been made possible only because of the continued receipt of share capital in volumes comparable to pre-war experience. [TABLE 15.]

New Data

Because of recent interesting increases in postal savings accounts, the monthly outstanding balance due to depositors in postal savings will be included in Table 14—"Savings held by institutions." The growth of postal savings in the past year and a half has approximately paralleled the experience of savings and loan associations in receiving new investments.

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that the draft of family heads will affect an additional 5 percent of borrowers.

This institution has perfected a system for handling these new problem cases. The borrower is called in for a conference and an official of the institution points out that he is entitled to a waiver of principal payments. It is suggested that this is not to his benefit since lump-sum payments would be required soon after his release from the army.

The institution assists the borrower in making a contact with a realty company. An agreement is signed whereby monthly rentals received by the managing company are allocated in part for mortgage payments (principal, interest, insurance, and taxes) and the remainder retained for upkeep. So far this method appears to have worked well. Only 11 loans are delinquent and only one has become what may be called a problem case.

One instance should be cited, perhaps because it does not appear typical. One Middle-Western association reports that half of its loans for drafted borrowers (100 loans in all) are delinquent. On the basis of its experience it is evident that some problem loans may develop in spite of the good experience of most institutions.

Table 1.—BUILDING ACTIVITY—Estimated number and valuation of new family-dwelling units provided in all urban areas in May 1943, by Federal Home Loan Bank District and by State [Source: U. S. Department of Labor] [Amounts are shown in thousands of dollars]

		All residenti	All pr	All private 1- and 2-family structures				
Federal Home Loan Bank District and State	Number dwelling	of family g units	Permit v	valuation	Number dwelli	of family ng units	Permit v	aluation
	May 1943	May 1942	May 1943	May 1942	May 1943	May 1942	May 1943	May 1942
United States	18,920	26, 356	\$48, 636	\$87, 535	9, 972	11, 205	\$30, 899	\$37,064
No. 1-Boston	1,016	1.125	2,909	3, 976	289	953	1,147	3, 407
Connecticut Maine. Massachusetts. New Hampshire. Rhode Island. Vermont.	570 36 405 2 3	$\begin{array}{r} 629 \\ 35 \\ 423 \\ 12 \\ 25 \\ 1 \end{array}$	1, 591 87 1, 221 1 9	$2,290 \\ 92 \\ 1,478 \\ 16 \\ 97 \\ 3$	206 20 58 2 3	$\begin{array}{r} 623 \\ 35 \\ 257 \\ 12 \\ 25 \\ 1 \end{array}$	894 39 204 1 9	2, 27(9) 92 16 97
No. 2—New York	326	2, 127	1,005	8,022	206	1,076	625	3, 69
New Jersey New York	254 72	1, 286 841	808 197	4,772 3,250	$\begin{array}{c} 134\\72\end{array}$	646 430	428 197	2, 23 1, 46
No. 3—Pittsburgh	1,969	1,030	6, 813	3, 973	1,961	735	6, 797	2,765
Delaware Pennsylvania West Virginia	$\begin{array}{r} 409\\1,555\\5\end{array}$	1,006 24	1,467 5,344 2	3, 890 83	409 1, 547 5	711 24	1, 467 5, 328 2	2, 680 8
No. 4-Winston-Salem	2, 692	4, 344	7, 121	13, 383	1, 548	1, 165	3, 975	2, 77
Alabama District of Columbia Florida Georgia Maryland North Carolina South Carolina Virginia	$\begin{array}{r} 296\\176\\448\\400\\537\\146\\337\\352\end{array}$	3965251341462, 3493917738	7574651,1591,0921,368624848808	$872 \\ 1, 431 \\ 257 \\ 274 \\ 8, 052 \\ 60 \\ 31 \\ 2, 406 \\ $	$96 \\ 2 \\ 432 \\ 400 \\ 121 \\ 113 \\ 32 \\ 352$	193 10 134 146 449 39 17 177	$232\\8\\1,117\\1,092\\257\\410\\51\\808$	27(19 257 274 1,25(6(31 612
No. 5-Cincinnati	1,318	2, 444	3, 782	10, 015	728	1, 138	2, 117	4, 39
Kentucky Ohio Tennessee	44 1, 133 141	58 1, 882 504	92 3, 405 285	147 8, 437 1, 431	$\begin{array}{r} 24\\563\\141\end{array}$	50 1,026 62	40 1,792 285	129 4,179 89
No. 6—Indianapolis	1,903	1,488	7, 625	5, 932	1,362	1, 480	6, 106	5, 91
Indiana Michigan	217 1, 686	417 1,071	594 7, 031	1, 488 4, 444	180 1, 182	417 1,063	494 5, 612	1, 48 4, 43
No. 7-Chicago	542	965	2, 228	3, 637	506	618	2, 131	2, 43
Illinois	381 161	823 142	1,709 519	3, 064 573	373 133	480 138	1, 689 442	1, 86 56
No. 8-Des Moines	49	541	72	1, 719	49	457	72	1, 54
Iowa Minnesota Missouri. North Dakota South Dakota	5 21 3 20	$ \begin{array}{r} 158 \\ 212 \\ 163 \\ 6 \\ 2 \end{array} $	2 18 1 51	$516 \\ 768 \\ 424 \\ 10 \\ 1$	5 21 3 20	158 200 91 6 2	2 18 1 51	510 730 289 10
No. 9-Little Rock	2,343	1,168	4, 085	2, 568	1, 217	1, 157	1,874	2, 55
Arkansas Louisiana Mississippi New Mexico Texas	$78\\144\\527\\41\\1,553$	$57 \\ 200 \\ 55 \\ 52 \\ 804$	$\begin{array}{r} 68\\ 282\\ 689\\ 64\\ 2,982\end{array}$	99 474 43 165 1, 787	$78\\144\\113\\13\\869$	$54 \\ 196 \\ 55 \\ 52 \\ 800$	$68 \\ 282 \\ 82 \\ 14 \\ 1,428$	9. 47/ 4: 16: 1,77?
No. 10—Topeka	759	744	1, 779	2, 119	415	656	1,060	1, 92
Colorado Kansas Nebraska Oklaboma	$ \begin{array}{r} 121 \\ 567 \\ 20 \\ 51 \end{array} $	$56 \\ 370 \\ 55 \\ 263$	$363 \\ 1,255 \\ 72 \\ 89$	$122 \\ 1,021 \\ 177 \\ 799$	59 301 20 35	$56 \\ 282 \\ 55 \\ 263$	$228 \\ 700 \\ 72 \\ 60$	12 83 17 79
No. \equiv —Portland	611	5, 619	1,961	19,036	469		1, 512	1,62
Idaho Montana. Oregon. Utah. Washington. Wyoming.	$ \begin{array}{r} 17 \\ 17 \\ 226 \\ 55 \\ 235 \\ 61 \end{array} $	6 3 1, 941 1, 521 2, 148	$ 18 \\ 54 \\ 798 \\ 153 \\ 808 \\ 130 $	$ 12 \\ 5 \\ 6,170 \\ 4,170 \\ 8,679 $	$5 \\ 17 \\ 112 \\ 55 \\ 219 \\ 61$		3 54 422 153 750 130	11 21 32 1,07
No. 12-Los Angeles	5, 392	4, 761	9, 256	13, 155	1, 222	1, 237	3, 483	4,03
Arizona California Nevada	$\begin{array}{r} 72\\5,265\\55\end{array}$	18 4, 662 81	244 8,847 165	47 12, 858 250	68 1, 099 55	18 1, 142 77	$231 \\ 3,087 \\ 165$	47 3, 738 245

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Table 2.-BUILDING ACTIVITY-Estimated number and valuation of new family-dwelling units provided in all urban areas of the United States

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	Number of family dwelling units						Permit valuation				
Type of construction	м	Monthly totals		JanMay totals		М	onthly tota	JanMay totals			
	May 1943	April 1943	May 1942	1943	1942	May 1943	April 1943	May 1942	1943	1942	
Private construction	12, 346	9, 860	12, 628	43, 518	105, 732	\$37, 456	\$31, 225	\$40, 856	\$130, 887	\$350, 821	
1-family dwellings 2-family dwellings ¹ 3- and-more-family dwellings ²	8, 326 1, 646 2, 374	$\begin{array}{c} 6,551\ 1,353\ 1,956 \end{array}$	10, 334 871 1, 423	29, 762 5, 568 8, 188	81, 056 8, 212 16, 464	$26,854 \\ 4,045 \\ 6,557$	22, 202 3, 997 5, 026	34, 658 2, 406 3, 792	94, 755 14, 798 21, 334	287,719 21,577 41,525	
Public construction	6, 574	5, 826	13, 728	48, 997	43, 775	11, 180	12, 664	46, 679	103, 618	155, 663	
Total urban construction	18, 920	15, 686	26, 356	92, 515	149, 507	48, 636	43, 889	87, 535	234, 505	506, 484	

Includes 1- and 2-family dwellings combined with stores.
 Includes multi-family dwellings combined with stores.

Table 3.—BUILDING COSTS—Index of building costs for the standard house in representative cities in specific months¹

(Average month of 1935-1939=100)

NOTE: These figures are subject to correction.

	19	43		1942		1941	1940	1939	1938	1937
Federal Home Loan Bank District and city	June	Mar.	Dec.	Sept.	June	June	June	June	June	June
No. 1—Boston: Hartford, Conn New Haven, Conn Portland, Me Boston, Mass Manchester, N. H Providence, R. I Rutland, Vt.	$\begin{array}{c} 130, 0\\ 130, 0\\ 117, 8\\ 119, 8\\ 114, 1\\ 128, 3\\ 125, 2 \end{array}$	$130. 0 \\ 130. 5 \\ 117. 8 \\ 122. 3 \\ 114. 1 \\ 120. 8 \\ 124. 5$	$129.9 \\131.1 \\103.6 \\120.1 \\109.2 \\118.9 \\124.4$	129, 9 131, 1 103, 6 120, 1 109, 2 118, 9 124, 4	$\begin{array}{c} 130.\ 0\\ 130.\ 9\\ 103.\ 2\\ 123.\ 0\\ 108.\ 9\\ 120.\ 1\\ 121.\ 7\end{array}$	113. 4 117. 8 102. 0 112. 1 107. 0 110. 2 107. 7	$103.1 \\ 103.9 \\ 98.9 \\ 104.0 \\ 98.1 \\ 105.2 \\ 97.0$	$100.\ 1\\99.\ 1\\99.\ 6\\100.\ 9\\98.\ 8\\104.\ 0\\98.\ 8$	97. 0 99. 5 103. 9 97. 5 98. 1 102. 9 103. 4	$108.5 \\ 104.5 \\ 107.4 \\ 106.7 \\ 105.5 \\ 102.8 \\ 105.5 \\ 102.5 \\ 105.5 \\ 102.8 \\ 105.5 \\ 105.$
No. 4Winston-Salem: Birmingham, Ala Washington, D. C Tampa, Fla Atlanta, Ga Baltimore, Md Cumberland, Md Asheville, N. C Raleigh, N. C Columbia, S. C Richmond, Va Roanoke, Va	135. 4 144. 9 126. 8 117. 8 127. 3	$\begin{array}{c} 127.\ 4\\ 134.\ 0\\ 124.\ 8\\ 134.\ 2\\ 137.\ 7\\ 123.\ 9\\ 127.\ 5\\ 137.\ 1\\ 118.\ 0\\ 127.\ 2\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 127.\ 7\\ 125.\ 9\\ 122.\ 7\\ 131.\ 9\\ 122.\ 1\\ 119.\ 7\\ 125.\ 3\\ 132.\ 1\\ 118.\ 6\\ 125.\ 2\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 128.7\\ 125.9\\ 119.4\\ 122.5\\ 132.6\\ 122.1\\ 120.1\\ 125.5\\ 132.2\\ 118.6\\ 125.0\\ \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 128.\ 7\\ 125.\ 9\\ 114.\ 0\\ 122.\ 3\\ 131.\ 9\\ 120.\ 5\\ 120.\ 1\\ 125.\ 3\\ 135.\ 2\\ 132.\ 2\\ 119.\ 5\\ 130.\ 4 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 116.\ 8\\ 112.\ 3\\ 111.\ 4\\ 117.\ 6\\ 127.\ 6\\ 109.\ 1\\ 114.\ 2\\ 105.\ 5\\ 120.\ 6\\ 111.\ 2\\ 120.\ 7\end{array}$	91. 2 104. 3 102. 8 96. 5 98. 4 99. 6 96. 1 98. 0 95. 7 105. 8	95. 5 102. 9 101. 0 95. 5 98. 3 100. 6 97. 5 95. 0 100. 6 98. 0 104. 7	109. 2 109. 0 101. 6 103. 1 98. 2 100. 6 103. 9 104. 1 100. 5 104. 3 102. 8	109.0 108.6 103.5 105.1 105.8 104.3 104.8 107.9 102.5 104.1 104.4
No. 7—Chicago: Chicago, III. Pooria, III. Springfield, III Milwarkee, Wis Oshkosh, Wis	$ \begin{array}{r} 118.2\\ 124.1\\ 139.9\\ 146.7\\ 133.6\\ \end{array} $	118. 2119. 7134. 2146. 2133. 6	118. 2119. 7134. 2146. 2133. 6	118. 2119. 8134. 2145. 2133. 6	$116.7 \\ 119.8 \\ 135.5 \\ 139.8 \\ 125.2$	$108. \ 4 \\ 113. \ 0 \\ 129. \ 3 \\ 123. \ 5 \\ 112. \ 6 \\$	99.6109.8123.7108.4101.1	100. 6 101. 6 117. 6 107. 0 102. 7 1	$101.5 \\ 103.8 \\ 120.6 \\ 102.4 \\ 104.7$	106, 1 105, 5 120, 9 106, 1 105, 5
No. 10—Topeka: Denver, Colo Wichita, Kans Omaha, Nebr Oklahoma City, Okla	110. 9 125. 3 122. 2 178. 7	$110.9 \\123.7 \\122.2 \\178.7$	111. 5 122. 2 122. 4 178. 7	111. 8 117. 8 121. 1 178. 7	110. 5 117. 1 112. 1 174. 9	102. 6 108. 6 109. 1 142. 7	96. 8 104. 7 106. 4 133. 3	101. 4 108. 0 100. 3 127. 7	102. 8 105. 2 100. 9 127. 2	106. 7 102. 4 103. 5 126. 8

¹ The house on which costs are reported is a detached 6-room home of 24,000 cubic volume. Living room, dining room, kitchen, and lavatory on first floor; three bedrooms and bath on second floor. Exterior is wide-board siding with brick and stucco as features of design. Best quality materials and workmanship are used through-

bedrooms and bath on second noor. Exterior is write-board stating with one and source as restarce structural elements, an attached 1-car garage, an unfinished cellar, an unfinished attic, a fireplace, essential heating, plumbing, and electric wiring equipment, and complete insulation. It does not include wallpaper nor other wall nor ceiling finish on interior plastered surface, lighting fixtures, refrigerators, water heaters, ranges, screenes, weather stripping, nor window shades. Reported costs include, in addition to material and labor costs, compensation insurance, and allowance for contractor's overhead and transportation of materials plus 10 percent for builder's profit. Reported costs of builder's profit. Reported costs of building permit, financing charges, nor sales costs. In figuring costs, current prices on the same building materials list are obtained every 3 months from the same dealers, and current wage rates are obtained from the same reputable contractors and operative builders.

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Element of cost	May 1943¤	Apr. 1943¤	Mar.1943¤	Feb. 1943	Jan. 1943	Dec. 1942	Nov. 1942	Oct. 1942	Sept. 1942	Aug. 1942	July 1942	June 1942	May 1942
Material Labor	122. 2 134. 3	121.8 133.4	122.0 133.0	121. 9 132. 5	121.5 130.9	121.4 130.7	$121.5 \\ 130.2$	121.6 130.2	$121.5 \\ 130.2$	121.2 129.4	121.2 128.5	121.3 127.8	121.0 126.4
Total cost	126.2	125.7	125.7	125.5	124.7	124.5	124.4	124.5	124.4	124.0	123, 7	123.5	122.8

Table 4.—BUILDING COSTS—Index of building costs for the standard house

[Average month of 1935-1939=100]

▶ Preliminary.

Table 5.—BUILDING COSTS—Index of wholesale price of building materials in the United States

[1935-1939=100; converted from 1926 base] [Source: U. S. Department of Labor]

Period	All building materials	Brick and tile	Cement	Lumber	Paint and paint mate- rials	Plumbing and heating	Structural steel	Other
1941: May	112.1	101. 1	100.4	130.1	109.5	109.0	103.5	104. 1
1942: May June July August September October November December December	122, 9 123, 2 123, 2 123, 3 123, 3 123, 3 122, 9	$107.9 \\ 108.0 \\ 107.9 \\ 108.6 \\ 108.6 \\ 108.6 \\ 108.5 \\ 108.5 \\ 108.6 \\ 108.5 \\ 108.6 \\ 108.5 \\ 108.6 \\ 108.$	$103. 4 \\ 1$	$146.4 \\ 146.7 \\ 148.0 \\ 148.1 \\ 148.3 \\ 148.4 \\ 148.4 \\ 148.2 \\ 148.4 \\ 148.$	123, 7123, 3123, 8123, 1123, 4124, 2123, 8123, 3	129. 4129. 4123. 6123. 6123. 6123. 6123. 6122. 4118. 8	$103.5 \\ 103.$	112.3 112.3 112.3 112.3 112.3 112.3 112.3 111.3 111.4
1943: January February March April May	123.1 123.3 123.2	108. 6 108. 5 108. 6 108. 6 108. 8	103. 4 103. 4 103. 4 103. 4 103. 4 103. 1	148. 4 149. 9 149. 9 150. 0 151. 0	123. 7 124. 4 125. 7 126. 0 125. 7	118.8 118.8 118.8 118.8 118.8 118.8	$103.5 \\ 103.$	110. 8 110. 8 110. 3 109. 9 109. 9
Percent change: May 1943-April 1943	+0.2	+0.2	0.3	+0.7	-0.2	0.0	0.0	0. (
May 1943-May 1942	+0.4	+0.8	-0.3	+3.1	+1.6	-8.2	0.0	-2.

Table 6.—MORTGAGE LENDING—Estimated volume of new home-mortgage loans by all savings and loan associations, by purpose and class of association

[Thousands of dollars]

		P	urpose of loar	15			Class of association			
Period	Construc- tion	Home pur- chase	Refinanc- ing	Recondi- tioning	Loans for all other purposes	Total loans	Federals	State members	Nonmem- bers	
1941	\$437,065	\$580, 503	\$190, 573	\$61,328	\$109, 215	\$1, 378, 684	\$584, 220	\$583, 804	\$210,660	
January-May May	166, 056 40, 975	202, 968 54, 781	80, 163 18, 506	24, 420 5, 930	45, 909 10, 761	519, 516 130, 953	222, 137 55, 396	218, 646 54, 495	78, 733 21, 062	
1942	190, 438	573, 732	165, 816	41, 695	78, 820	1,050,501	412, 828	476, 080	161, 593	
January-May May June July August September October November December 1943	103, 463 17, 610 15, 930 17, 709 12, 568 12, 449 10, 572 9, 275 8, 472	214, 117 53, 095 52, 112 52, 190 55, 301 58, 060 56, 528 43, 984 41, 440	66, 519 13, 607 15, 184 16, 097 14, 019 14, 063 14, 694 12, 472 12, 768	17, 824 3, 866 3, 566 3, 671 4, 126 3, 804 3, 498 3, 007 2, 199	35, 789 6, 831 7, 303 6, 130 6, 549 5, 679 6, 380 5, 241 5, 749	437, 712 95, 009 94, 095 95, 797 92, 563 94, 055 91, 672 73, 979 70, 628	174, 836 36, 966 35, 279 37, 007, 36, 620 37, 987 35, 555 28, 163 27, 381	194, 223 43, 005 44, 265 43, 665 41, 549 42, 249 41, 387 35, 441 32, 751	68, 65 15, 038 14, 551 15, 12 14, 394 13, 819 14, 188 10, 378 10, 496	
January-May January February March April May	7, 173 4, 597 8, 572 9, 853	260, 053 32, 820 39, 084 55, 235 65, 088 67, 826	$\begin{array}{c} 68,675\\ 11,408\\ 12,510\\ 14,874\\ 15,040\\ 14,843\\ \end{array}$	11,087 1,667 1,953 2,377 2,484 2,606	28, 544 4, 788 5, 183 6, 127 6, 270 6, 176	407, 590 57, 856 63, 324 87, 185 98, 735 100, 490	$172, 358 \\ 23, 390 \\ 26, 566 \\ 37, 850 \\ 42, 717 \\ 41, 835$	185, 959 26, 910 28, 175 38, 595 44, 461 47, 818	$\begin{array}{c} 49,27;\\7,55(\\8,58;\\10,74(\\11,55'\\10,83'\end{array}$	

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Table 7.-LENDING-Estimated volume of new loans by savings and loan associations

Table 8.—RECORDINGS—Estimated nonfarm mortgage recordings, \$20,000 and under

May 1943 (Thousands of dollars)

Banks and trust

com-

panies

\$65,688

2,475

Indi-

vid-

uals

4,854

Mutual

savings banks

6, 593

\$12,940 \$70,054

Other

mort-

gagees

\$46.754

2,685

4,646

129

1,060207 583

15, 250

54

402

.

 $303 \\ 516$

47

1,747

15, 267

Total

\$327,092

26, 991

6, 098 1, 997 15, 176 1, 166 1, 853 701

35, 564

15,74019,824

26, 861

31, 354

2,742

3, 152 5, 397 3, 763 6, 044 3, 175 1, 583 5, 498

41, 899

 $3,544 \\ 34,260 \\ 4,095$

20, 531

8,627 11,904

30, 071 21, 691 8, 380

20, 280

19,869

1,071

3, 823 1, 281 584 13, 110

13,683

3, 075 4, 483 2, 084 4, 041

12, 553

800

47, 436

1, 322 45, 792 322

921 $23,116 \\ 2,824$

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Federal Home Loan Bank District and	N	lew loan	5		lative new 5 months)		Federal Home Loan Bank District	Savings and loan	Insur- ance com-
class of association	May 1943	April 1943	May 1942	1943	1942	Percent change	and State	associa- tions	panies
UNITED STATES.	\$100, 490	\$98, 735	\$95,009	\$407, 590	\$437, 712	-6, 9	UNITED STATES	\$107, 221	\$24, 435
	41,835	42, 717	36, 966	172,358	174,836	-1.4	Boston	9,920	464
Federal State member Nonmember	47, 818 10, 837	44, 461 11, 557	$\begin{array}{c} 43,005\\ 15,038\end{array}$	185, 959 49, 273	194, 223 68, 653	-4.3 -28.2	Connecticut Maine Massachusetts	$ \begin{array}{r} 1,136\\633\\6,968\end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{r} 120 \\ 92 \\ 187 \end{array} $
Boston	9, 215	8,018	9,963	30, 231	39, 987	-24.4	New Hampshire Rhode Island Vermont	299 704 180	$ \begin{array}{r} 38 \\ 4 \\ 23 \end{array} $
Federal State member Nonmember	2,534 5,277 1,404	$ \begin{array}{c c} 2,347 \\ 4,244 \\ 1,427 \end{array} $	2, 911 5, 857 1, 195	$ \begin{array}{c} 8,869\\ 16,400\\ 4,962 \end{array} $	$\begin{array}{c} 12,512 \\ 20,900 \\ 6,575 \end{array}$	-29.1 -21.5 -24.5	New York	6, 740	2, 189
New York		6, 625	10, 336	28, 240	44, 353	-36.3	New Jersey	3,200 3,540	1,046 1,143
Federal	1, 557	1,715	2,118	6, 385	10, 743	-40.6	Pittsburgh		2, 164
State member Nonmember	3, 838 1, 844	3, 108 1, 802	3, 681 4, 537	14, 325 7, 530	15,066 18,544	-4.9 -59.4	Delaware Pennsylvania	185 6, 387	86 1,730
Pittsburgh	8, 313	8, 676	8,062	36, 275	38, 475	-5.7	West Virginia	664	348
FederalState member	2,927	$3,479 \\ 2,616$	$ \begin{array}{r} 3,032 \\ 2,827 \\ 2,02 \end{array} $	$13,734 \\ 11,329 \\ 11,010$	$ \begin{array}{c c} 13,532\\ 11,971\\ 12,070\\ \end{array} $	+1.5 -5.4	Winston-Salem	10,851	3, 788 638
Nonmember		2, 581	2, 203	11, 212	12,972	-13.6	District of Co- lumbia	1, 595	173
Winston-Salem		11, 381	12, 382	25, 439	60,756	-16.9 -4.3	Florida Georgia Maryland	$ \begin{array}{r} 924 \\ 1,025 \\ 3,492 \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{c c} 750 \\ 535 \\ 250 \end{array} $
Federal State member Nonmember	5, 918 4, 505 1, 119	5, 438 4, 764 1, 179	5, 483 5, 591 1, 308	25, 439 19, 528 5, 493	$26,574 \\ 27,772 \\ 6,410$	-4.3 -29.7 -14.3	North Carolina. South Carolina. Virginia.	$1,426 \\ 380$	299 224 919
Cincinnati	19, 720	18, 732	18, 470	78, 936	79, 938	-1.3	Cincinnati		2,453
Federal State member Nonmember	11,045	$\begin{array}{c} 7,351 \\ 10,034 \\ 1,347 \end{array}$	6, 829 9, 768 1, 873	29, 384 42, 985 6, 567	29,98441,8118,143	$\begin{array}{c c} -2.0 \\ +2.8 \\ -19.4 \end{array}$	Kent ucky Ohio Tennessee	19,803	$\begin{smallmatrix}&543\\1,292\\618\end{smallmatrix}$
Indianapolis	5, 767	5, 529	4, 996	24, 183	23, 895	+1.2	Indianapolis	6, 034	2, 397
Federal State member Nonmember	2,485	2,870 2,363 296	2,475 2,273 248	12, 135 10, 598 1, 450	11, 751 10, 735 1, 409	$+3.3 \\ -1.3 \\ +2.9$	Indiana Michigan		593 1, 804 1, 370
Chicago	10, 024	10, 352	9, 788	39, 591	44, 267	-10.6	Illinois Wisconsin	8,437	763
Federal State member Nonmember	5, 129	4, 285 5, 034 1, 033	3,567 4,473 1,748	$15,380 \\ 19,524 \\ 4,687$	${ \begin{array}{c} 16,141\\ 21,683\\ 6,443 \end{array} }$	-4.7 -10.0 -27.3	Des Moines		1,958 147
Des Moines	5, 954	5, 614	4,602	21, 913	20, 766	+5.5	Minnesota Missouri North Dakota	2,777	776 997 38
Federal State member	2, 969 2, 204	2,754	2, 277 1, 493	10, 660 7, 854	9, 908 7, 389	+7.6 +6.3	South Dakota_	68	
Nonmember	781	879	832	3, 399	3, 469	-2.0	Little Rock		2,864
Little Rock		4, 568	4, 394	21, 807	22, 432	-2.8	Arkansas Louisiana Mississippi	351 2, 350 223	216 207 287
Federal State member Nonmember	2,099 3,189 75	$ \begin{array}{r} 1,926 \\ 2,547 \\ 95 \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{c c} 1, 620 \\ 2, 711 \\ 63 \end{array} $	8,956 12,511 340	9,054 13,014 364	$ \begin{array}{c c} -1.1 \\ -3.9 \\ -6.6 \end{array} $	New Mexico Texas	. 158	2, 154
							Topeka		965
Topeka		5, 295		21,001	19, 782	+6.2 +10.2	Colorado Kansas	2,012	59 294
Federal State member Nonmember	1, 440	1,429 685		6,071	5, 513	+10.2 +10.1 -14.8	Nebraska Oklahoma	834 1,935	333 279
Portland	3, 719	A 455	0.025			17.4	Portland		701
Portland Federal			-	15, 492 9, 661	14, 425 9, 184	+7.4 +5.2	Idaho Montana Oregon	. 261	
State member Nonmember	. 1, 172	1, 546	782	5, 212	4, 416 825	+18.0 -25.0	Utah Washington Wyoming	407	446 71 116 3
Los Angeles	8, 933	9, 490	5, 357	39, 461	28, 636	+37.8	Los Angeles		3, 122
Federal State member Nonmember	- 4,607	4, 620 4, 795 75	2, 613	19, 533 19, 622 306	$\begin{array}{r} 14,363 \\ 13,953 \\ 320 \end{array}$	$+36.0 \\ +40.6 \\ -4.4$	Arizona California Nevada	8,840	$\begin{smallmatrix}&16\\3,102\\&4\end{smallmatrix}$

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3	Connecticut	1,136	120	1,030	1, 241	1,386	1, 185
2	Maine	633	92	134	620	475	43
-		6,968	187	932	3, 695	2,152	1,242
-	Massachusetts.	299	38	77	446	275	31
4	New Hampshire	299		256	323	401	165
	Rhode Island		4				
1	Vermont	180	23	46	268	165	19
5		a = 10	0 100	0.000	4.970	0.617	0 170
5	New York	6, 740	2,189	6, 069	4, 370	9,617	6, 579
			1.040	0.044	100	0.540	0, 100
	New Jersey	3,200	1,046	3,844	420	3, 740	3, 490
3	New York	3,540	1,143	2,225	3, 950	5, 877	3, 089
						1.010	
6	Pittsburgh	7, 236	2,164	8,592	561	4, 813	3,495
9							
4	Delaware	185	86	231	70	238	111
	Pennsylvania	6, 387	1, 730	7,256	481	4,025	3,237
7	West Virginia	664	348	1, 105	10	550	147
5	Winston-Salem	10,851	3,788	3,834	130	8,811	3,940
4							
6	Alabama	314	638	357		781	652
0	District of Co-						
	lumbia	1, 595	173	246		837	301
9	Florida	924	750	427		2,912	384
	Georgia.	1,025	535	797		874	532
3	Maryland	3,492	250	733	130	923	516
ž	North Carolina	1,426	299	277		760	413
3	North Carolina. South Carolina.	380	224	288		438	253
-	Virginia	1,695	919	709		1,286	889
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3	Cincinnati	22,448	2,453	7,976	677	4,704	3, 641
	Oneman	22, 110	2,100	1,010			
0	Kentucky	2,047	543	629		182	143
8		19, 803	1,292	6, 649	677	4,105	1, 734
-1	Ohio Tennessee	598	618	698	011	417	1, 764
	1 ennessee	090	010	030			1, 101
.,	Indianapolis	6,034	2,397	5, 315	19	2,550	4,216
2	inunanapons	0,034	2,001	0,010	15	2,000	4, 210
.,	Indiana	3, 868	593	2 104	19	919	1,124
3	Indiana	2,166	1,804	$\begin{array}{c c} 2,104\\ 3,211 \end{array}$	15	1,631	3,092
3	Michigan	2,100	1, 804	3, 211		1,001	3,092
9		11 916	1, 370	5 491	6	4, 981	7 077
=	Illinois	11, 216	763	5, 421 3, 374	0		7,077
6		8,437	607	9,014	6	2, 785 2, 196	6, 332 745
	Wisconsin	2,779	007	2,047	0	2,190	745
7	Des Meines	0. 700	1.050	4 500	128	2 0.00	0.020
Ò	Des Moines	6, 769	1,958	4, 526	120	3, 969	2, 930
3	Tarra	1.054	147	1.044		con	074
	Iowa	1,654	147	1,044	100	633	274
	Minnesota	2,777	776	709	128	1,143	204
5	Missouri	2,120	997	2, 514		1,982	2,417
	North Dakota	150	38	75		83	14
. 6	South Dakota	68		. 184		128	21
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. 0	Little Rock	7, 520	2,864	1,390		5,011	3, 084
	A	0.51	010	110		000	
8	Arkansas	351	216	119		323	62
	Louisiana	2,350	207	176		776	314
1	Mississippi	223	287	160		371	240
9	New Mexico	158		187		222	17
6	Texas	4, 438	2,154	748		3, 319	2, 451
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	Topeka	5,612	965	2,009		3, 045	2, 052
. 2	Calara da	0.01		0.17		1 50-	100
	Colorado	831	59	241		1,535	409
.,	Kansas	2,012	294	662		390	1,125
1	Nebraska	834	333	458	·	313	146
- i	Oklahoma	1,935	279	648		807	· 372
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	Portland	3,724	701	2,814	456	2,449	2,409
, 9£	Idaho	284	44	122		216	134
0	Montana	261	21	79		254	35
. 4	Orogon	951	1 AAG	202	1 54	1 060	1 796

Table 9.--MORTGAGE RECORDINGS-Estimated volume of nonfarm mortgages recorded

[Amounts are shown in t	thousands of dollars]
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Period	Savings and loan associations		Insurance companies		Banks and trust companies		Mutual sav- ings banks		Individuals		Other mortgagees		All mortgagees	
	Total	Per- cent	Total	Per- cent	Total	Per- cent	Total	Per- cent	Total	Per- cent	Total	Per- cent	Combined total	Per- cent
1942: January-May May June July August September Octoher November December	107, 937 105, 278 104, 712 102, 628 104, 155 103, 170 80, 970 75, 494	29. 1 30. 8 30. 8 29. 0 30. 5 30. 1 28. 9 29. 1 28. 4	\$158, 504 31, 780 29, 764 31, 898 28, 299 31, 448 32, 577 25, 950 23, 303	9, 5 9, 1 8, 7 9, 0 8, 4 9, 1 9, 1 9, 3 8, 8	74, 588 80, 736 72, 480 77, 530 79, 224 58, 519 57, 050	23. 3 22. 2 21. 8 22. 8 21. 5 22. 4 22. 2 21. 0 21. 5	\$67, 304 15, 904 16, 043 15, 669 14, 793 14, 812 14, 812 14, 817 11, 596 10, 640	4.5 4.7 4.4 4.3 4.2 4.2 4.0	\$299, 752 63, 807 62, 730 64, 808 62, 824 65, 423 67, 623 55, 830 54, 207	18. 2 18. 3 18. 4 18. 6 18. 9 18. 9 20. 1 20. 4	\$258, 416 53, 196 53, 847 55, 688 55, 826 52, 596 59, 672 45, 456 44, 712	15. 2 15. 7 15. 8 16. 6 15. 2 16. 7 16. 3 16. 9	\$1, 663, 228 350, 187 342, 250 353, 511 336, 850 345, 964 357, 083 278, 321 265, 406	100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0
1943: January-May. January. February. March. A pril. May.	64, 935	$\begin{array}{c} 31.4\\ 28.4\\ 30.5\\ 31.8\\ 32.7\\ 32.8 \end{array}$	$109, 155 \\19, 900 \\18, 064 \\22, 198 \\24, 558 \\24, 435 \\$	8.1 8.7 8.2 8.2 8.0 7.5	$\begin{array}{c} 275,172\\ 48,640\\ 44,273\\ 53,186\\ 63,385\\ 65,688\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 20.3 \\ 21.3 \\ 20.1 \\ 19.7 \\ 20.5 \\ 20.1 \end{array}$	49, 538 8, 045 7, 895 9, 536 11, 122 12, 940	3.7 3.5 3.6 3.5 3.6 3.9	295, 960 50, 583 49, 854 59, 662 65, 807 70, 054	21. 9 22. 2 22. 7 22. 2 21. 3 21. 4	$197, 937 \\ 36, 180 \\ 32, 858 \\ 39, 195 \\ 42, 950 \\ 46, 754$	14.6 15.9 14.9 14.6 13.9 14.3	$\begin{array}{c} 1,353,633\\228,283\\219,882\\269,419\\308,957\\327,029 \end{array}$	100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0

Table 10.—**FORECLOSURES**—Estimated nonfarm real-estate foreclosures, by Federal Home Loan Bank District

Table 11.-FHA-Home mortgages insured ¹

Federal Home Loan	F	oreclosur	es	Cumu (5 mo	Percent	
Bank District	May 1943	April 1943	May 1942	1943	1942	change
UNITED STATES	2, 375	2, 424	3, 822	11, 962	19, 249	-37.9
Boston	292	215	478	1,123	2,202	-49.0
New York.	568	667	858	3,159	4,461	-29.2
Pittsburgh	372	485	721	2,060	3,249	-36.6
Winston-Salem	365	221	411	1,440	2,170	-33.6
Cincinnati	191	208	313	965	1,757	-45.1
Indianapolis	51	37	109	247	549	-55.0
Chicago.	111	157	231	695	1,192	-41.7
Des Moines		138	228	754	1,218	-38.1
Little Rock	72	86	134	409	678	-39.7
Topeka	113	98	121	456	695	-34.4
Portland	29	17	47	122	256	-52.3
Los Angeles	82	95	171	532	822	35.3

[Premium paying; thousands of dollars]

	Title I	Tit	le II		Total insured
Period	Class 3	New	Refi- nancing	Title VI	at end of period
1942: May	\$1,867	\$43, 908	\$16, 269	\$13, 554	\$4, 082, 967
June	1,781	46, 493	19, 317	15, 876	4, 166, 434.
July	919	43, 157	19, 571	20, 621	4, 250, 702
August	1,246	35, 158	16, 655	25, 030	4, 328, 791
September	104	30, 529	17, 044	31, 524	4, 407, 992
October	802	26, 831	17, 639	38, 265	4, 491, 529
November	726	21, 893	17, 071	40, 195	4, 581, 414
December	557	19, 187	19, 530	43, 214	4, 663, 902
1943: January	167	14, 172	17, 084	40, 649	4, 735, 974
February	84	8, 495	11, 846	37, 168	4, 793, 570
March	706	5, 690	$13, 175 \\ 12, 704 \\ 15, 248$	43, 523	4, 856, 664
April	2 - 50	3, 463		35, 878	4, 908, 659
May	41	2, 894		39, 511	4, 966, 353

¹ Figures represent gross insurance written during the period and do not take account of principal repayments on previously insured loans. ² Adjustments in loans reported in previous months.

Table 12.--FHL BANKS-Lending operations and principal assets and liabilities

[Thousands of dollars]

	Lending of May		Princips	l assets May	7 31, 1943	Capital a	Total		
Federal Home Loan Bank	Advances	Repay- ments	Advances outstand- ing	Cash t	Govern- ment securities	Capital ²	Deben- tures	Member deposits	May 31, 1943 1
Boston	$320 \\ 438 \\ 130 \\ 162 \\ 105 \\ 143 \\ 28 \\ 0 \\ 341 \\ 100 $	\$1, 199 2, 126 1, 015 1, 584 509 1, 870 467 425 509 559 601	5, 395 17, 046 7, 861 5, 283 5, 713 7, 230 10, 171 3, 129 1, 632 3, 683 1, 146 10, 932	$\begin{array}{c} \$2,670\\ 905\\ 2,314\\ 1,976\\ 2,219\\ 1,489\\ 2,649\\ 2,893\\ 1,714\\ 955\\ 436\\ 1,950\end{array}$	\$14,863 18,382 10,576 10,972 23,692 12,338 18,691 11,126 10,386 7,368 8,441 9,431	\$19,094 26,758 16,050 17,249 23,716 13,015 21,811 12,072 12,307 10,254 8,263 15,067	$\begin{array}{c} \$2,000\\ \$,000\\ 4,000\\ 0\\ 2,500\\ 4,000\\ 4,000\\ 3,500\\ 1,500\\ 1,500\\ 3,000\\ \end{array}$		\$23,038 36,464 20,845 18,287 31,781 21,148 31,609 17,224 13,810 12,066 10,080 22,411
May 1943 (All Banks)	2, 710	10, 858	79, 221	22, 170	156, 266	195, 656	35,000	26, 985	258, 763
April 1943	16, 728	7,965	87, 369	15, 621	151, 568	195, 098	35,000	25, 043	255, 359
May 1942	6, 884	11, 017	181, 165	58, 035	68, 130	189, 958	91, 500	24, 946	308, 516

¹ Includes interbank deposits of \$1,000,000.

² Capital stock, surplus, and undivided profits.

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Table 13.—SAVINGS—Sales of war bonds 1 [Thousands of dollars]

Period	Series E ²	Series F	Series G	Total	Redemp- tions
1941	\$1, 622, 496	\$207, 681	\$1. 184, 868	\$3, 015, 045	\$13, 601
1942	5, 988, 849	652,044	2, 516, 065	9, 156, 958	245, 547
May	421,831	42,465	170,060	634, 357	13, 159
June	433, 223	41,041	159,681	633, 945	14,852
July August		73, 691 55, 586	319,053 204,548	900, 861 734, 340	17,820 23,147
September	566, 609	66, 728	204, 907	838, 244	25, 93
October	587,854	51, 321	175, 178	814, 353	32, 19
November December		44,766	148, 211 222, 398	734, 549 1, 014, 168	36, 84 47, 91
1943					
January		77, 066	348, 450	1, 240, 444	55, 429
February	633, 572	48, 328	205, 295	887, 195	69,440
March.		43,858	180,011	944, 276	126, 62
April May	1,006.786	109,517 85,893	353, 421 253, 851	1,469,724 1,334,984	95.458 97,451

¹ U. S. Treasury War Savings Staff. Actual deposits made to the credit of the U. S. Treasury. ² Prior to May 1941: "Baby bonds."

Table 14.—SAVINGS—Held by institutions

[Thousands of dollars]

End of period	Insured savings and loans '	Mutual savings banks ²	Insured commercial banks ³	Postal savings ه
1941: June December	\$2, 433, 513 2, 597, 525	\$10,606,224 10,489,679	\$13, 107, 022 13, 261, 402	\$1, 304, 153 1, 314, 360
1942: May June July August September October November December 1943: January February March April May	$\begin{array}{c} 2,660,098\\ 2,736,257\\ 2,757,929\\ 2,798,621\\ 2,834,079\\ 2,873,822\\ 2,912,717\\ 2,983,310\\ 3,030,919\\ 3,068,672\\ 3,105,080\\ 3,143,940\\ 2,142,942\end{array}$	10, 620, 957	4 13, 820, 000	$\begin{array}{c} 1, 307, 386\\ 1, 315, 523\\ 1, 329, 210\\ 1, 344, 478\\ 1, 357, 718\\ 1, 376, 898\\ 1, 396, 242\\ 1, 417, 406\\ 1, 445, 268\\ 1, 467, 833\\ 1, 492, 966\\ 1, 517, 167\\ 6 1, 544, 824\\ \end{array}$
¹ Private repurchase ² Month's Work. Al ³ FDIC. Time dep ⁴ Estimated by FDI ⁶ Balance on deposit ⁶ Unaudited.	ble capital as ll deposits. osits evidenced C.	reported to the 1 by savings pa	SSbooks.	nistration.

Table 15.—INSURED ASSOCIATIONS—Progress of institutions insured by the FSLIC

[Amounts are shown in thousands of dollars]												
Period and class of association	Number of asso- ciations						-	Federal	Operations			
		Net first mortgages held	Cash	Govern- ment bond holdings	Private repur- chasable capital	Govern- ment share capital	Home Loan Bank advances	New mort- gage loans	New pri- vate invest- ments	Private repur- chases	Repur- chase ratio	
ALL INSURED 1941: June December	2, 313 2, 343	\$3, 159, 763 3, 362, 942	\$2, 555, 393 2, 751, 938	\$190, 671 206, 457	\$33, 518 43, 892	\$2, 433, 905 2, 597, 525	\$206, 301 196, 240	\$144, 331 193, 275	\$85, 117 63, 506	\$61, 448 74, 801	\$26, 779 35, 728	43.6 47.8
1942: May June July. August. September. October November. December.	2 380	$\begin{array}{c} 3,384,344\\ 3,461,228\\ 3,439,097\\ 3,482,056\\ 3,513,096\\ 3,548,692\\ 3,588,995\\ 3,651,598 \end{array}$	2,800,673 2,827,956 2,837,925 2,856,588 2,866,497 2,871,968 2,875,165 2,871,641	219, 374 193, 817 256, 470	70, 852 116, 035 193, 452	2, 660, 098 2, 736, 258 2, 757, 929 2, 798, 621 2, 834, 079 2, 873, 822 2, 912, 717 2, 983, 310	185, 710 185, 783 176, 995 169, 493 169, 202 169, 162 169, 257 169, 167	157, 870 170, 066 152, 302 139, 670 125, 308 113, 856 103, 329 113, 977	59,006 58,642 61,062 58,785 61,508 59,021 48,017 46,705	53, 808 72, 788 103, 821 70, 262 68, 082 73, 124 64, 697 91, 029	31, 503 26, 152 87, 059 41, 534 40, 114 37, 720 30, 738 30, 219	58.535.983.959.158.951.647.533.2
1943: January February March A pril. May	2,415	3, 627, 828 3, 657, 989 3, 690, 918 3, 757, 464 3, 811, 473	2, 865, 632 2, 866, 839 2, 868, 410 2, 881, 247 2, 892, 665	260, 749		3,030,919 3,068,672 3,105,080 3,143,943 3,194,029	148, 220 120, 308 120, 138 119, 572 119, 547	99, 037 82, 652 66, 970 75, 664 67, 631	39, 149 44, 076 61, 139 69, 604 69, 471	119, 923 78, 455 83, 403 83, 242 78, 294	84, 573 42, 123 48, 955 47, 171 33, 684	70. 5 57. 3 58. 7 56. 7 43. 0
FEDERAL 1941: June December		2, 028, 138 2, 173, 326	1. 687, 087 1, 824, 646	126, 390 138, 040	16, 714 23, 623	1, 553, 712 1, 668, 415	169, 247 160, 060	103, 696 144, 049	57, 542 41, 182	40, 030 48, 872	14, 530 20, 400	36.3 41.7
1942: May June July August September October November December	1,464 1,464 1,465 1,464 1,466 1,466 1,468 1,468	2, 170, 868 2, 205, 921 2, 182, 337 2, 198, 357 2, 214, 101 2, 235, 726 2, 259, 670 2, 299, 895	1,846,790 1,849,400 1,852,972 1,856,269 1,861,062 1,862,593 1,862,796 1,853,868	141, 617 116, 834 164, 430	41, 022 70, 196 117, 339	1, 701, 065 1, 735, 932 1, 748, 584 1, 767, 665 1, 788, 000 1, 814, 156 1, 839, 506 1, 882, 051	150, 776 150, 776 143, 324 136, 779 136, 518 137, 108 137, 208 137, 208	$116, 327 \\ 127, 623 \\ 113, 347 \\ 103, 180 \\ 92, 943 \\ 83, 095 \\ 75, 865 \\ 84, 135$	36, 966 35, 279 37, 007 36, 620 37, 987 35, 555 28, 163 27, 381	35, 759 47, 495 69, 919 45, 724 44, 589 47, 222 42, 076 58, 9 37	18, 515 14, 794 58, 508 26, 707 24, 745 22, 019 18, 174 16, 530	51.8 31.1 83.7 58.4 55.5 46.6 43.2 28.0
1943: January February Mareh April May	1,467 1,468 1,467 1,466 1,466	2, 264, 817 2, 278, 839 2, 300, 638 2, 349, 831 2, 380, 241	$\begin{array}{r} 1,843,714\\ 1,839,245\\ 1,839,302\\ 1,846,536\\ 1,849,999\end{array}$	156, 792		1, 906, 323 1, 928, 559 1, 953, 846 1, 979, 864 2, 011, 373	118, 769 96, 109 96, 109 96, 109 96, 109 96, 109	72, 046 58, 489 46, 820 54, 254 47, 725	23, 390 26, 566 37, 850 42, 717 41, 835	79, 083 48, 412 54, 824 53, 675 50, 732	55, 548 25, 987 30, 238 27, 774 20, 045	70. 2 53. 7 55. 2 51. 7 39. 5
STATE 1941: June December	861 883	1, 131, 625 1, 189, 616	868, 307 927, 292	64, 281 68, 417	16, 804 20, 269	800, 193 929, 110	37, 054 36, 180	40, 635 49, 226	27, 575 22, 324	21, 418 25, 929	12, 249 15, 328	57. 2 59. 1
1942: May June August September October November December	015	$\begin{array}{c} 1,213,476\\ 1,255,307\\ 1,256,760\\ 1,283,699\\ 1,298,995\\ 1,312,966\\ 1,329,325\\ 1,351,703\\ \end{array}$	953, 883 978, 555 984, 953 1, 000, 319 1, 005, 435 1, 009, 375 1, 012, 369 1, 017, 773	77, 757 76, 98 3 92, 940	29, 830 45, 839 76, 113	959,033 1,000,326 1,009,345 1,030,956 1,046,079 1,059,666 1,073,211 1,101,259	34, 934 35, 007 33, 671 32, 714 32, 684 32, 054 32, 049 31, 959	41, 543 42, 443 38, 955 36, 490 32, 365 30, 761 27, 464 29, 842	22, 040 23, 363 24, 005 22 165 23, 521 23, 466 19, 854 19, 324	18, 049 25, 293 33, 902 24, 538 23, 493 25, 902 22, 621 32, 092	12, 988 11, 358 28, 551 14, 827 15, 369 15, 701 12, 564 13, 689	72. 0 44. 9 84. 2 60. 4 65. 4 65. 4 60. 6 55. 5 42. 7
1943: January. February. March. Ajvil May.	938 947 948 951 956	1, 363, 011 1, 379, 150 1, 390, 280 1, 407, 633 1, 431, 232	1,021,918 1,027,594 1,029,108 1,034,711 1,042,666		95, 281	1, 124, 596 1, 140, 113 1, 151, 234 1, 164, 079 1, 182, 656	29, 451 24, 199 24, 029 23, 463 23, 438	26, 991 24, 163 20, 150 21, 410 19, 906	15, 759 17, 510 23, 289 26, 887 27, 636	40, 840 25, 043 28, 579 29, 567 27, 562	29, 025 16, 136 18, 717 19, 397 13, 639	71. 1 64. 4 65. 5 65. 6 49. 5

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(Continued from p. 307) First Federal Savings and Loan Association, San Jose, Calif. First Federal Savings and Loan Association, San Pedro, Calif. Glendale Federal Savings and Loan Association, Glendale, Calif. Glendale Federal Savings and Loan Association, Glendale, Calif. Great Western Building and Loan Association, Los Angeles, Calif. *Hollywood Building and Loan Association, Hollywood, Calif. Home Building and Loan Association, San Diego, Calif. *Thdependent Building and Loan Association, San Diego, Calif. *Inglewood Federal Savings and Loan Association, Jose Calif. *Inglewood Federal Savings and Loan Association, Los Angeles, Calif. International Building and Loan Association, Los Jose, Calif. *Inglewood Federal Savings and Loan Association, La Jolla, Calif. *Inglewood Federal Savings and Loan Association, Los Angeles, Calif. Los Angeles American Building and Loan Association, Los Angeles, Calif. **Oceanside Federal Savings and Loan Association, San Rafael, Calif. **Oceanside Federal Savings and Loan Association, San Rafael, Calif. **Oceanside Federal Savings and Loan Association, San Rafael, Calif. Santa Cruz County Building and Loan Association, Santa Cruz, Calif. Santa Paula Building and Loan Association, Santa Cruz, Calif. Santa Paula Building and Loan Association, Santa Cruz, Calif. Santa Paula Building and Loan Association, Santa Rusa, Calif. **Sausalito Mutual Buildang and Loan Association, Santa Rusa, Calif. **Sausalito Mutual Loan Association, Santa Rosa, Calif. **Sausalito Mutual Loan Association, Santa Rosa, Calif. **Sausalito Mutual Loan Association, San Jose, Calif. **Union Federal Savings and Loan Association, Los Angeles, Calif. *Union Federal Savings and Loan Association, Santa Rosa, Calif.

Correction

The May issue of the REVIEW (p. 252) carried an amendment to the Rules and Regulations of the Federal Savings and Loan System regarding the character of offices which may be operated by Federal associations without approval of the FHLBA. This amendment was incorrectly numbered as FHLBA Bulletin No. 16 instead of FHLBA Bulletin No. 19.

Directory of Member, Federal, and Insured Institutions

Added during May-June, 1943

I. INSTITUTIONS ADMITTED TO MEMBERSHIP IN THE FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK SYSTEM BETWEEN MAY 16 AND JUNE 15, 1943

DISTRICT NO. 2

NEW JERSEY Bergenfield

Bergenfield Savings and Loan Association, Corner Main and Front Streets. Newark: Central Mutual Savings and Loan Association, 494 Central Avenue.

NEW YORK: Buffalo:

Erie Savings and Loan Association, 39 Erie Street.

ILLINOIS

Chicago: Belmont-Central Savings and Loan Association, 5455 West Belmont Avenue. Wisconsin:

DISTRICT NO. 7

Cedarburg

Cedarburg Building and Loan Association.

TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK SYSTEM BETWEEN MAY 16 AND JUNE 15, 1943

KANSAS Osborne:

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The Osborne County Building and Loan Association (sale of assets to the First Federal Savings and Loan Association, Beloit, Kansas). MISSOURI:

Higginsville: Home Building and Loan Association, 2112 Main Street (merger with Higginsville Building and Loan Association, Higginsville, Missouri).

New JERSEN: Jersey City: The Central Building and Loan Association, 110 Hutton Street (liquida-

The Central Building and Loan Association, 110 Hutton Street (liquidation).
Long Branch:
Monmouth County Building and Loan Association (merger with Shadow Lawn Savings and Loan Association, Long Branch, New Jersey).
Third Avenue Building and Loan Association, Iong Branch, New Jersey).
Newark:
Holland Building and Loan Association, 478 Central Avenue (consolidation with Central Mutual Savings and Loan Association, 524 Central Avenue (consolidation with Central Mutual Savings and Loan Association, New ark, New Jersey).

PENNSVLVANIA: Sharon Hill:

The Home Building and Loan Association of Sharon Hill and Colling-dale (liquidation). Shenandoah:

Government Building and Loan Association, 200 Stief Building (liquidation).

dation). TENNESSEE: Lenoir City: Lenoir City Federal Savings and Loan Association, 104 East Broadway (dissolution and sale of assets to Home Federal Savings and Loan Association, Knoxville, TENDERAL SAVINGS AND

LOAN ASSOCIATION CHARTERS BETWEEN MAY 16 AND JUNE 15, 1943

PENNSYLVANIA: Philadelphia: Famous Federal Savings and Loan Association, 915 Lewis Tower Build-ing (merger with First Wayne Federal Savings and Loan Association, Wayne, Pennsylvania).

TENNESSEE: Lenoir City:

Lenoir City Federal Savings and Loan Association, 104 East Broadway (dissolution and sale of assets to Home Federal Savings and Loan Association, Knoxville, Tennessee).

III. INSTITUTIONS INSURED BY THE FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN INSURANCE CORPORATION BETWEEN MAY 16 AND JUNE 15, 1943

DISTRICT	N0.	
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NEW JERSEY: Irvington (Newark): The Camptown Savings and Loan Association, 34 Union Avenue. Bergenfield: Bergenfield Savings and Loan Association, Main and Front Streets. NEW YORK:

Buffalo: Erie Savings and Loan Association, 39 Erie Street.

DISTRICT NO. 3

PENNSYLVANIA:

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(NSLUANA. Indiana: First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Indiana, 201 Indiana Theatre Building, 637 Philadelphia Street. DISTRICT NO. 5

Lockland: The Enterprise Building and Loan Association Company, 121 Mill Street.

INSURANCE CERTIFICATIONS CANCELLED BETWEEN MAY 16 AND JUNE 15, 1943

KANSAS:

NSAS. Osborne: The Osborne County Building and Loan Association (sale of assets to First Federal Savings and Loan Association, Beloit, Kansas).

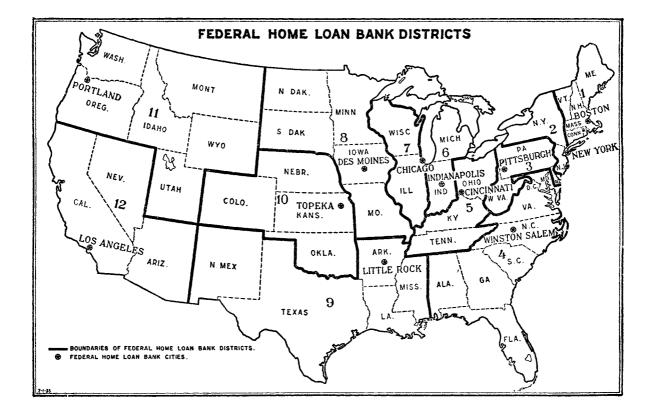
First Federal Savings and Loan Association, 104 East Broadway, Lenoir City: Lenoir City Federal Savings and Loan Association, 104 East Broadway, (dissolution and sale of assets to Home Federal Savings and Loan Association, Knoxville, Tennessee).

Public Interest Director Appointed

The appointment of Claude H. Roberts of Mans-

field, Louisiana, as a Public Interest Director for the Federal Home Loan Bank of Little Rock was announced by the Federal Home Loan Bank Administration on June 18. Mr. Roberts, general manager of an automobile trailer manufacturing company, will fill an unexpired term ending December 31, 1946.

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