MEETINGS

NORFOLK & WESTERN RAILWAY CO.
The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Norfolk and Western Railway Company will be held at the principal office of the Company in the City of Roanoke, Virginia, on Thursday, the 14th day of April, 1921, at 10 o'clock A. M., to elect Directors, to elect independent auditors to audit the books and accounts of the Company for the fiscal year, to consider the annual report of the Directors for the year ended December 31, 1920, to ratify and approve all action of the Directors set forth in such annual report and in the minutes of the Company, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.
The meeting has also been called by the Board of Directors as a special meeting to consider and act upon a proposal to alter and amend Article I, Section 6; Article I, Section 7; Article II, Section 3, and Article II, Section 4, of the Company's By-Laws by striking out in such sections reference to the Chairman of the Board; Article I, Section 6, to provide that the Assistant Secretary shall in the absence of the Secretary act as Secretary at all meetings of the stockholders; Article II, Section 3, to provide for the holding of Directors' meetings in Philadelphia instead of New York; and Article II, Section 4, by eliminating obsolete matter. A copy of the proposed amendments will be mailed at least thirty days prior to the meeting in a postage prepaid envelope addressed to each stockholder at his address as entered upon the books of the Company.
The Stock Transfer Books will be closed at 2 o'clock P. M. Friday, March 25, 1921, and re-opened at 10 o'clock A. M. Friday, April 15, 1921.
By order of the Board of Directors.
I. W. BOOTH, Secretary.

DIVIDEND NOTICES

SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY
DIVIDEND NO. 58
A QUARTERLY DIVIDEND of one dollar and fifty cents ($1.50) per share on the Capital Stock of this Company has been declared payable at the Treasurer's Office, No. 165 Broadway, New York, N. Y., on Friday, April 1, 1921, to stockholders of record at 3 o'clock P. M., on Monday, February 28, 1921. The stock transfer books will not be closed for the payment of this dividend. Cheques will be mailed only to stockholders who have filed permanent dividend orders.
A. K. VAN DEVENTER, Treasurer.
February 14, 1921.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.
DIVIDEND No. 98
At a meeting of the Directors held today the usual quarterly dividend of two and one-half per cent on the Common Stock for the quarter ended 31st December last, being at the rate of seven per cent per annum from revenue and three per cent per annum from Special income account, was declared payable April 1st next to shareholders of record at 3 P. M. on March 1st, 1921.
ERNEST ALEXANDER, Secretary.
Montreal, February 14, 1921.

Southwestern Power & Light Co.
Preferred Stock Dividend
The regular quarterly dividend of one and three-quarters per cent. (1¾%) on the Preferred Stock of Southwestern Power & Light Company has been declared, payable March 1, 1921, to stockholders of record at the close of business February 17, 1921.
William Reiser, Treasurer.

FINANCIAL

To the Holders of Dominican Republic 5% Bonds, Issue of 1918, Due 1938.
In accordance with Executive Order 272 sealed proposals will be received by the Secretaria de Estado de Hacienda y Comercio until 3 o'clock A. M. of February 1, March 1 and April 1, 1921, for the purchase for redemment of bonds of the Dominican Republic dated January 1, 1918, due 1938, without regard to series, to an amount estimated at THREE HUNDRED AND TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS ($320,000) on each of the above dates, a total for all three dates of $960,000. All proposals shall be submitted in duplicate and shall specify the number of the bonds offered, the series, the par value and the price at which offered, and shall be signed by an official duly authorized to act for the bidder. Upon the outside of the sealed envelopes containing proposals shall appear the words "Proposals opening of ..... (fill in date)." Said Proposals will be opened in public in the office of the undersigned on February 1, March 1 and April 1, 1921, unless such dates fall upon a Sunday or legal holiday, in which case the bids will be opened on the following day.
Arthur H. Mayo,
Lieutenant Commander (SC), U. S. N.
Officer Administering the Affairs of the Secretaria de Estado de Hacienda y Comercio for the Military Government.

WILLIAM CRAMP & SONS SHIP AND ENGINE BUILDING COMPANY
Sinking Fund Notice
Fidelity Trust Company, formerly The Fidelity Insurance, Trust and Safe Deposit Company, Trustee under Mortgage of the William Cramp & Sons Ship and Engine Building Company, dated March 1, 1899, invites tenders of proposals for bonds issued under said Mortgage to be surrendered for redemption, proposals to be opened and awards made on February 22d, 1921, at 12 o'clock M.
FIDELITY TRUST COMPANY, Trustee,
325-331 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.
WM. P. GEST, President.
February 1, 1921.

LARGE MERCHANDISING and manufacturing corporation would like to get in touch with parties who can place either preferred stock or bond issue. Prosperous corporation doing an annual business of over a million and a half a year. Address G 69, Tribune.

LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned have formed a limited copartnership under the firm name of ICHABOD T. WILLIAMS & SONS for a term of three (3) years from January 1, 1921. The general business to be transacted is dealing in domestic and foreign woods. The principal place of business is located in New York County at the address specified below.
The capital contributed in cash by each of the special partners, $100,000 respectively, has been actually paid in cash by each of said special partners.
Dated New York, December 31, 1920.
THOMAS WILLIAMS,
THOMAS R. WILLIAMS,
E. W. WILLIAMS,
D. S. WILLIAMS,
FREDERICK C. LEARY,
THOMAS BLAGDEN,
General Partners.
EDITH S. WILLIAMS,
DORCAS W. FERRIS,
Special Partners.
ICHABOD T. WILLIAMS & SONS,
220 Eleventh Avenue,
New York City.

SURROGATES' NOTICES

ABBIE CATHARINE AMORY BENNETT.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable John P. Cohalan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, NOTICE is hereby given to all persons having claims against Catharine Amory Bennett Abbe, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at the office of Perkins & Train, their attorneys, at No. 200 Fifth Avenue, in the Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, State of New York, on or before the 21st day of June, 1921, next.
Dated, New York, the 4th day of December, 1920.
ARTHUR C. TRAIN,
COURTLANDT PALMER,
Executors.
PERKINS & TRAIN, Attorneys for Executors, Office and Postoffice Address, No. 200 Fifth Avenue, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

LOUISA W. SHELDON.—In PURSUANCE of an Order of Honorable JOHN P. COHALAN, a Surrogate of the County of New York, NOTICE is hereby given to all persons having claims against LOUISA W. SHELDON, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business at the office of Daniel Seymour, his attorney, at No. 38 Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, State of New York, on or before the 1st day of August, 1921, next.
Dated New York, the 30th day of November, 1920.
EDWIN B. SHELDON,
Executor.
DANIEL SEYMOUR, Attorney for Executor, Office and P. O. Address, 38 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

JOHN C. HAWKINS.—IN PURSUANCE OF an order of Honorable John P. Cohalan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, NOTICE is hereby given to all persons having claims against Rush C. Hawkins, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business at the office of Edward N. Perkins, No. 14 William Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 18th day of June next.
Dated, New York, the 4th day of December, 1920.
UNITED STATES TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK, Temporary Administrator.
EDWARD N. PERKINS, Attorney for Temporary Administrator, Office and Postoffice Address, No. 54 William Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

Business News

Textile and Apparel Trades Show Further Improved Trend

Check on Over-Enthusiasm and Emphasis of Cautiousness Striking Features of Steady Betterment

Textile and apparel wholesale markets yesterday gave further visible evidence of an unmistakable trend toward steady improvement. Large orders are exceptional, but the steady small lot buying of several trade factors, including dry goods jobbers, retailers and garment manufacturers, is serving to bring sales totals up to comfortable margins.

One of the most striking features of business at present is the curb to enthusiasm that some of the trade leaders have placed upon themselves and their trade organizations. A leading cotton goods converter showed figures during the day that prove his current business to be above last year, not only in yardage but in money value as well. On one special fabric which his house controls business never has been so good, but he is still proceeding cautiously in laying in gray goods, the raw material of his trade.

This attitude also was expressed by a leading shoe manufacturer, who says he has sufficient orders on his books to run his plant for the next three months at full capacity. Yet he has not anticipated his leather requirements for more than a month.

Another peculiar feature of trade at present is the variation in prices for goods of similar quality. As an example one cotton goods house is booking an excellent business on a standard fabric sold by a number of concerns. The price this house is charging is 31 cents, against a competitive market of 27 cents. The element of "wanting to deal with a reliable house" is given as an explanation of this situation. As a result of the general mixup in business there has been a gradual drift in new business toward the houses bearing established reputations and away from some of the less scrupulous concerns that flourished with apparent success during the period of inflation and fancied scarcity of merchandise

Commercial Credit

The continued demand for foreign credit and the fact that our government is a frequent borrower of money, in the opinion of the First National Bank of Philadelphia, will mitigate against much lower commercial money rates for some time to come.

"The foreign demand for credit," says the bank, "must continue far in excess of the supply released through the reduction of outstanding indebtedness by private domestic borrowers." The bank believes that the country has ample credit for current needs and expresses a hope that Congress will not be prevailed upon to increase the supply of credit to render temporary aid to particular industries or classes of trade.

Commercial paper yesterday continued to discount at 7¾ per cent for high grade names and 8 per cent for those not so well known. A small amount of exceptionally good paper, mostly bearing short maturity dates, discounts at 7½ per cent.

Bankers' acceptance rates were unchanged from last week. Those issued by the American Acceptance Council were:

	Member Banks. Buy.	Member Banks. Sell.	Non-Member Banks. Buy.	Non-Member Banks. Sell.
Thirty days	5⅞	5¾	6⅛	6
Sixty days	6	5⅞	6⅜	6⅛
Ninety days	6⅛	6	6½	6¼

Call loans against acceptances, 6 per cent.

National Silk Week Urged

Retailers to Stress Exhibits Late in Month

The next step in placing silk goods strongly before the public, following the International Silk Show held last week, will be a national silk week throughout the country, beginning February 28. Retailers are planning to devote much of their window and interior display space to silk exhibits and this, coupled with newspaper advertising, is expected to stimulate consumer interest in silk fabrics.

Many retailers have requested permission to use some of the exhibits shown at the silk show and many exhibitors received cash offers for their exhibits. It is believed that these were refused, however, as the selling of the exhibit to one customer might lead to charges of favoritism from others. Portions of the exhibit, it is understood, will be shown in several cities, while several of the units shown at the silk show will be reproduced in many stores, according to present plans.

Plan Prosperity Drive

Invitations Sent to Commerce Groups Throughout Nation

Invitations to 9,892 commercial clubs, chambers of commerce, etc., to join in the country-wide celebration of National Prosperity Week, from April 4 to 11, have been sent out by the National Prosperity Bureau.

It is planned to organize every city and town in the country into a unit in a national event. Asserting that the idleness of men and factories and widespread uncertainty in business demand a concerted effort, the bureau has set out to mobilize the effective campaign organizations which put across the Liberty Loan drives. With these units in action, plus intensive store sales everywhere and prosperity meetings in and out of doors, prosperity parades and decorations, newspaper advertising, motion picture publicity and the cooperation of labor, education and the public, the bureau expects effectually to kill off gloom and to ring in prosperous times throughout the nation.

50 P. C. Drop in Turpentine

Price Slumps From 92½ to 50 Cents a Gallon

SAVANNAH, Ga., Feb. 14.—Spirits turpentine broke 42½ cents a gallon to-day, sales being made at 50 cents. The last quotation at which spirits were sold was 92½ last November. Since then the market has been inactive.

Resins failed to follow the lead of spirits, the quotations being the old price of $11 for all grades, and no sales.

London Fur Prices Steady

Alfred Fraser, American agent for C. M. Lampson & Co., reports that kolinsky, squirrel, black, brown and grizzly bear, and northern and northwestern wolf, brought prices equal to those of last fall, at the Lampson fur auction in London last week. Southern and southwestern wolf declined 30 per cent, compared to fall prices.

Dress Industries Banquet

The Associated Dress Industries of America will hold its second annual banquet, entertainment and dance at the Hotel Pennsylvania to-morrow night. The guest of honor and principal speaker will be Senator George W. Cartwright, of California.

Crude Rubber Market Quiet

The market for crude rubber yesterday assumed an easier tendency. Dealers and manufacturers maintained a keen interest, although the market was void of new developments. Prices in general remained firm. First latex spot was quoted at 20 cents, and for April-May-June delivery, 23 cents. Ribbed smoked sheets were offered at 18½ cents for spot, and 21½ cents for future delivery, while up-river fine Para was quoted at 17½ cents.

Announce Reduction In Dressing Furs

The first cut in the price list for dressing and dyeing furs by any large firm was announced yesterday by A. Hollander & Son, effective in both their American and Canadian plants. According to a revised price list, the charge for dressing and dyeing muskrats (Hudson seal) has been reduced from 60 to 55 cents a skin, squirrels from 13 to 10 cents a skin, and moles from 9 to 7½ cents a skin.

"There is nothing in the present or future condition of the fur market which could force us to cut our prices," says the firm in a circular sent the trade, "yet we have decided to make a reduction as a concession to the spirit of the times."

No Rule on Guaranties

Commission Says Cases Must Be Acted Upon Individually

From The Tribune's Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—The Federal Trade Commission ruled to-day that no blanket order can be issued to correct the practice of manufacturers guaranteeing commodities in the hands of wholesalers against decline in price. Each case must be submitted and adjudicated on its merits, the commission ruled.

The commission's announcement, in part, said:

"The Federal Trade Commission, therefore, will consider each case of complaint of this character upon the facts shown in the specific case, applying the legal tests thereto.

"This action involves neither approval nor disapproval of the economic soundness of the arguments advanced before the commission for and against this practice."

Shows Revival in Cottons

Report on Consumption of Raw Product Reveals Gain

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Revival of the cotton manufacturing industry, which for some months has been on the decline, is indicated in the January cotton consumption report issued today by the Census Bureau.

There was an increase of 71,419 bales in consumption of lint cotton during January, as compared with December, when consumption reached the lowest point it had seen in six years, with a total of 294,851 bales. Consumption during the six months ended January 31 was 800,000 bales less than in the same period last year, the total being 2,333,855 bales.

Cotton spindles active during January numbered 3,230,558 less than operated during January, 1920, while December showed 4,703,758 less than the previous December. In cotton growing states active spindles number only 276,108 less than in January a year ago, while December showed 368,535 less than the previous December.

Lint cotton on hand January 31 totaled 6,918,435 bales of lint in consuming establishments and in public storage and at compresses, compared with 5,710,655 bales on that date a year ago.

Furs for Spring Auction

Local Company Ready to Receive Consignments

The New York Fur Auction Sales Corporation announced yesterday its readiness to accept consignments of new goods for its spring auction, beginning April 11, and also its willingness to advance to shippers up to 40 per cent of the value of the consignments.

The amount of the advance is slightly in excess of that offered by the several British commission houses holding auctions in London, it is explained. The resumption of advances is taken by the trade as an indication of a better financial condition in the fur trade in general.

Business Troubles

Petitions in Bankruptcy

The following petitions in bankruptcy were filed yesterday in the United States District Court:

F. L. WASHBOURNE & CO., INC., 46 Gold Street; involuntary.

LOUIS SCHWARTZ, dry goods, 797 Eighth Avenue; involuntary.

SAMUEL LUTKOFF, business broker, 21 West 110th Street; involuntary; liabilities, $25,961, all unsecured claims.

RICHMAN'S SPECIALTY SHOP (Anna Richman), Catskill and Athens, N. Y.; voluntary; liabilities, $22,833, of which $19,883 are unsecured claims and $2,809 secured claims; assets, $5,100, of which $3,000 is stock in trade, $1,500 machinery, tools, etc., and $600 debts due on open accounts.

HILL INSULATING & MANUFACTURING CORP., spark plugs, 511 West Forty-second Street; voluntary; liabilities, $24,161, of which $22,262 are unsecured claims; assets, $6,079, of which $2,500 is stock in trade, $2,000 machinery, tools, etc., and $1,494 debts due on open accounts.

LEGEND FILM PRODUCTIONS, INC., producer motion picture films, 220 West Forty-second Street; involuntary; liabilities, $25,000; assets, $1,500.

JACOB J. MYERS, butcher, Kingston, N. Y.; voluntary; liabilities, $3,413, of which $2,180 are secured claims and $1,127 unsecured claims; assets, $389, of which $200 is real estate and $189 debts due on open accounts.

ARCUS & ISAACSON (Nathan Arcus and Ben Isaacson), furniture, 181 Stanton Street; involuntary.

CHAUMONT KNITTING MILLS (Alexander Baskind and Benjamin D. Kornfield), manufacturers of sweaters and knit goods, 174 Worth Street; involuntary.

Receivers in Bankruptcy

The following receivers in bankruptcy were appointed yesterday in the United States District Court by Judge J. C. Knox:

Charles Pass, temporary receiver for the Wood Toy Co., Inc., toys, 110 West 40th st., with a bond of $3,000.

Edward McDonald, temporary receiver for Samuel Harris and Abe Schechter, trading as Harris & Schechter, with a bond of $2,000.

Owen S. M. Tierney, receiver for F. L. Washbourne & Co., Inc., chemicals, 46 Gold st., with a bond of $1,000.

Percival Jackson, temporary receiver for Louis Schwartz, dry goods, 797 8th ave., with a bond of $3,000.

Schedule in Bankruptcy

The following schedule in bankruptcy was filed yesterday in the United States District Court:

Warde Piano Co.—Liabilities, $76,861, of which $37,058 represent notes and bills, $23,000 secured claims and $7,403 unsecured claims, of which $16,289, of which $6,070 is stock in trade, $1,749 machinery, tools, etc., $6,067 debts due on open accounts and $21,400 stocks, negotiable bonds, etc.

Judgments Filed

The following judgments were filed yesterday, the first name being that of the debtor:

Ansonia Trading Corp.—Salomon Stern, Ltd., of America	$3,369.72
Allen, Jack—Walhamhra Realty Co., Inc.	330.41
Ashley, Robert W.—H. C. Ambookian	145.70
Ayers, William H.—L. C. Ericson Co., Inc.	350.20
Altman, Arnold, gdn.—F. Moskowitz et al. costs	118.95
Adler, Edward M.—John Wanamaker, N. Y.	250.70
Abrams, Henry, and Milton Marcus—Swift & Co., Inc.	669.39
Barr, Benjamin—G. Lange	273.20
Barnett, Alfred N.—Mutual Paper Co., Inc.	150.50
Bernstein, Charles M.—H. Berman	107.85
Bernstein, Solomon, and Charles Graves (Neighborhood Cafe)—L. Cohen	444.71
Bernstein, Samuel—H. Blumenthal	898.20
Chipman, Albert J.—Ferro & Co., Inc.	142.40
Continental Textile Corp.—M. P. Ansorge et al.	6,376.04
Curtis, Ruth, and Jesse C. Jacobs—People, etc.	500.00
Carl H. Schultz Corp.—McBee, Jones & Co.	3,151.19
Conway, George, by gdn.—Manhattan Produce Co., Inc., costs	195.19
Chalmers, Charles E., rec'r—L. Cioffi	100.00
Cohen, Hyman—T. S. Miller et al.	202.70
Curtin, William J., Meyer F. Werner (Curtin, Meyer & Co.)—J. Cashman	279.10
Corcos, Joseph—John Wanamaker, N. Y.	593.85
Carmody, Joseph A.—Bradsto Appliance, Inc.	1,600.11
Coffey, Frank T.—C. F. Little-John	490.95
Di Gesu, George—N. Y. Forest Products Sales Co., Inc.	261.48
Drake, Albion R.—Standard Spring Roller Co., Inc.	3,100.93
Ellis, Bruce A.—F. H. Packard et al	547.79
Earl Fuller, Inc.—E. Cutting	1,874.39
Feinstein, Benjamin—Forest Box and Lumber Co., Inc.	274.65
Florida Hotels, Inc.—L. Barth & Son, Inc.	699.46
Fairbault Building Corp.—McArthur Concrete Pile and Foundation Co.	4,104.82
Fox, Eva—J. G. Mayo	167.17
Fehlsber, Adolph—Atlantic Oil Co.	371.70
Freeman, Arthur, and Katherine McNaught—E. Simms et al.	169.90
Greenberg, Harris—Burns Bros.	1,511.40
Gerkin, Frederick—D. Berdon	214.40
Gaillard, Frank P.—R. H. McNaught	479.20
Goodman, Morris, and Wykoff Amusement Co.—H. J. Carlock	1,336.73
Gibson, Preston—Charlton & Co., Inc.	295.40
Goldstein, Maurice—J. Fletcher	100.70
H. Morgan Pollak & Co.—J. A. Kenar	166.80
Dater State Baker Co.—Swift & Co., Inc.	156.35
Jackson, Ezra—L. Worth	131.90
Korin, Max—L. Worth	131.90
Julian, Kalman, Co.—Alexander Goldstein (Julian & Goldstein)—Swift & Co., Inc.	136.50
Karneri, Michael (Excello Co.)—B. Raff et al.	255.07
Kabee Realty Co.—A. Rosenberg	2,426.45
Kapriellan, H. Kruger—N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	133.89
Long Beach Supply Co., Inc.—Globe Rubber Mfg. Co., Inc.	697.50
Liberi, Joe, and Clemente Vaccare—People, etc.	500.00
Lavelle, Rene, and John Piller (Model Clothing Shop)—J. Karmer et al.	582.65
Levy, Sam—J. Endroth	120.65
La Dora Toilet Preparations, Inc.—E. H. Butler	220.15
Marquis, Joseph—S. Brill	226.42
Morse, Chas. W.—Equitable Trust Co. of N. Y.	178,061.16
Markle & Sons, Inc.—J. B. Armstrong et al.	693.15
McFarlin, Frank—N. Y. C. R. R. Co. et al. costs	108.85
Nisbet Engineering Co., Inc.—People, etc.	3,456.77
Nissen, Cecelia M.—Disosway & Fisher, Inc.	162.26
Portela, Marcelino, Jose Martinez, Manuel Rodriquez and Joaquin Paul—S. W. Levy Jr., et al.	1,484.40
Prince, Felix and Theodore Lipsett—Gotham National Bank of New York	1,040.40
Same—Same	1,042.90
Richards, Jane A.—Alexander Hamilton Institute	127.47
Robinson, George H.—L. D. Ball	5,173.75
Rolling, Christian E.—Waldorf-Astoria, Inc.	450.42
Robinson, Abraham M.—M. Fein et al.	163.15
Resnik, Isser, and Maurice Singer—J. Dauer et al.	28,497.07
Salt, Thomas V.—Waldorf-Astoria, Inc.	1,574.14
Steib & Duttweilen, Inc.—National Surety Co.	1,575.94
Shapiro, Gray Fur Co.—B. J. Goodman	434.90
S. E. T. Valve & Hydrant Co., Inc.—Dodwell & Co., Ltd.	365.00
Saslaw, Anna, and Louis Schwartz—I. Munk et al.	147.65
Shifrin, Abraham, and Samuel Stromberg (Shifrin & Stromberg)—R. Kessner et al.	192.15
Thielcke Bros Co., Inc.—Fox, Lederer & Co., Inc.	1,028.49
Traubmen, Bernard—J. Rappaport	5,172.72
Wechsler, Samuel—New Netherland Bank of New York	574.62
Wiederschall, Max—H. Markowitz	227.72
City of New York—Barber Asphalt Paving Co.	900.00
Same—Fruin, Bambrick Paving Co.	200.00
Same—Atlantic Alcatraz Asphalt Co.	1,500.00
Same—Warren Scharf Asphalt Paving Co.	600.00
City of New York—Atlantic Alcatraz Asphalt Co.	900.00
Same—Barber Asphalt Paving Co.	2,000.00
Same—Fruin Bambrick Construction Co.	400.00
Same—Warren Scharf Asphalt Paving Co.	73,400.00
Same—Fruin Bambrick Construction Co.	56,800.00
Same—Atlantic Alcatraz Asphalt Co.	53,300.00

In Bronx County

(The first name is that of the debtor.)

Allegro, Michael—M. P. Stark	$155.53
Fridiger, Louis—C. Howard	26.45
Koehler, John W.—F. Schneider	232.41
Maeder, George H.—S. S. Glauber, Inc.	196.90
Schutz, Joseph—T. L. Peers	145.72
Waltermyre, Homer—J. M. Drinkwater et al.	1,500.78

Satisfied Judgments

In New York County

The first name is that of the debtor, the second that of creditor and date when judgment was filed:

Frank, Max—L. Dorfman; March 16, 1920	$107.33
Rosenfeld, Sarah—N. Y. County National Bank; Oct. 9, 1914 (canceled)	5,773.50
Same—Same; Dec. 23, 1914 (Canceled)	689.20
Same—Same; Dec. 23, 1914 (canceled)	5,221.24
Same—Same; Jan. 11, 1915 (canceled)	5,480.76
Same—Same; Jan. 12, 1915 (canceled)	6,214.25
Paul Gerli & Co., Inc.—L. Schwartz et al; March 24, 1919	2,597.35
Ostrove, Moses, and Abraham—S. Bayer et al; Jan. 13, 1921	1,326.24
Ditmars, John—E. O. Rolling et al; Jan. 26, 1921	1,438.23
Eighty Fifth Avenue, Inc.—M. Rubing; Dec. 22, 1915	600.00
Rodgers & Haggerty, Inc.—H. Brandorff; July 26, 1920 (reversed)	14,645.61
Moffett, James H.—P. McGuiness; Dec. 13, 1915	2,759.72
Frikker, Louise—Kips Bay Brewing and Malting Co.; June 17, 1920	3,175.88
Frikker, Dick W. C.—Same; June 17, 1920	481.66
Canfield, Charles O.—Guarantee Trust Co. of New York; July 1, 1920	13,003.97
Opperman, Anton, and Nell F. Dubois—M. Waxtrook; June 10, 1915	2,358.13
Brower-Tobias Co., Inc.—L. T. Vorhaus et al; Jan. 31, 1921	1,618.91
Rosso, Bennie, and Pellegrino Colletti and Vito Perrone—People, etc.; June 26, 1913 (vacated)	1,000.00
Nasanow, Joseph—J. Goodrich; May 26, 1915	801.45
Watt, Thomas L.—E. M. Gattle & Co.; Sept. 16, 1919	1,021.55
Knox, William H., & Co., Inc.—O. Friedlander Chemical Co.; Mar. 12, 1920	2,192.72
McGee, Eugene F.—C. Kriser; July 27, 1920 (vacated)	2,568.12
Pugh, Lucille—P. F. Weinbeerp; Nov. 16, 1920	194.75
Watt, Thomas L.—Tiffany & Co.; Dec. 2, 1919	494.65
Ferguson, Samuel L.—C. J. Benisch et al; Aug. 22, 1918	276.90
Marcus, Morris and William Barkin—M. Mayer; Oct. 10, 1918	275.41
Same—Same; Oct. 10, 1918	276.66
Watt, Thomas L.—W. McGrory; April 18, 1919	133.15
Photobelle Works, Inc.—Welton Art Printing Co.; Jan. 10, 1921	213.00
Samuels, Sam—L. Steinberg; Jan. 24, 1921	139.09
Javitz, Elias M.—E. Cudliff; Aug. 14, 1917	152.00
Swezey, Arthur H., and Frederick S. Nevins—Broadway Bargain House; Sept. 15, 1915 (canceled)	294.98
Hefner, Stephen, John Dansher, Walter Erickson and John Forrest—Morris Plan Co., New York; Sept. 16, 1919	139.60
Goss, Frank A.—J. W. Bell et al; Jan. 17, 1921	437.50

Investment Information

Questions of general interest to investors will be answered in this column, in which case only initials will be used. Others will be answered by mail. Address all inquiries, inclosing a stamped, addressed envelope, to Financial Editor, The Tribune, 154 Nassau Street, New York City.

The Market

With the formal offering to-morrow of the Chilean government twenty-year 8 per cent $24,000,000 sinking fund gold loan, bond men look for a let-up in the flow of new investment offerings. This will be a welcome respite, for the market has had to take a huge outpouring in recent weeks and the bond selling forces of the distributing houses have been greatly overworked as a result. Moreover, the market in the new issues has softened so that in the case of some of the recent offerings the open market price has fallen 1 to 2 per cent under the price at which the syndicates placed the securities originally. A check in the flow of new offerings, in the opinion of bond men, would not only help the market for the new stuff, but tend to improve the position of the old outstanding mortgage issues.

Woman Seeks Underlying Bonds

Question—Will you kindly mention several underlying bonds of the class of the Harlem River & Port Chester 4s or the New York, New Haven & Hartford or some of the other leading roads of the country yielding about 6 per cent which you regard as a good investment for a woman?—Miss A. D.

Answer—Chicago, Burlington & Quincy general mortgage 4 per cent bonds, due 1958 (a first lien on 4,821 miles), to yield 5.17 per cent; Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe general mortgage 4 per cent bonds, due 1995 (a lien either direct or by collateral trust on 8,515 miles), to yield over 5 per cent; Union Pacific first mortgage and land grant 4 per cent bonds, due 1947 (a first mortgage on 1,854 miles), to yield 5.12 per cent, are all high grade bonds suitable as investments for a woman or a trustee. In our opinion they are all better investments for a woman who wants to avoid as absolutely as possible any chance of temporary uncertainty or loss of interest than are the New Haven underlying bonds you mention. The general credit of the New York, New Haven & Hartford is at present weak. If you demand as high as 6 per cent interest you will have to make some sacrifice as security. Central of Georgia, Mobile Division, first 5s, yield about 6.16 per cent. The Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, Nebraska extension, 4s yield about 6.02 per cent. The Illinois, Central St. Louis Division and Terminal 3½s yield 6 per cent.

Northwestern Bonds Good Investments

Question—Will you please state which of the three securities mentioned below would be the safest investment: Chicago & Northwestern Railway fifteen-year 6½ per cent secured gold bonds, Pennsylvania Railroad 6% per cent bonds, which issued Pennsylvania Railroad 7 per cent gold bonds. Are the Pennsylvania bonds issued in denominations smaller than $1,000?—J. R. W.

Answer—The Pennsylvania Railroad bonds come in $500 pieces. We prefer the Chicago & Northwestern issue of the three you mention.

Griffith Shares Not Conservative

Question—The D. W. Griffith, Inc., Class shares, offered at $15, are recommended to me as a conservative and most attractive investment opportunity. Would appreciate your opinion on this rather broad statement. If not classed as a conservative investment could it be graded as a business man's investment? Or entirely as a speculation? Writer takes pleasure in reading your investment information and by maintaining such a department I feel that you are rendering a distinct public service.—P. T. V.

Answer—We regard the Griffith shares as speculative, both because of the uncertain nature of the motion picture business and because these shares have not proved their earning power, nor do they enjoy a good market.

Denominations of British Externals

Question—Will you kindly give me a general description of the 5½ per cent bonds of United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, which are listed in The Tribune? In what denomination do they come, and is there any difference, other than date of maturity, in the various issues? Is there any choice between the 10-year 1929s and the 20-year 1937s for an investment of medium length?—C. H. C.

Answer—The British dollar bonds are all listed in coupon form denominations of $100, $500 and $1,000. They are all backed by the credit of the British Empire and therefore equally secure. The 1929 and 1922 issues are convertible into British war loans, internal issues. For purposes of this conversion sterling is to be computed at $4.30. It is now far below that. We believe the dollar bonds are good investments for part of one's capital.

Demands a Sure 7 Per Cent

Question—I have a few hundred to invest. What do you think of American Tobacco at 118? Do they pay dividends in scrip or does that refer to Tobacco B? Also your opinion of Crucible Steel common. I want to get at least 7 per cent on some sure investment.—E. H. B.

Answer—Both American Tobacco common and common B shares pay their 3 per cent quarterly dividends in 8 per cent scrip, which is convertible into common B stock March 1, 1923. These stocks, and Crucible Steel as well, are too speculative for you if you are looking for a "sure" investment. Canadian National Railways 7 per cent equipments 1935 are exceptionally well secured and will yield you close to the 7 per cent you require.

Speculating in Copper

Question—Will you kindly advise through your columns how you regard Chile Copper as a speculation? Would also appreciate your opinion regarding any good coppers from the standpoint of their speculative possibilities.—F. B. G.

Answer—We cannot attempt to advise you about speculating in copper stocks. You will have to decide for yourself whether the prices of the stocks have discounted the fact that there is a large volume of metal overhanging the market and that copper cannot be produced at a profit at present prices.

Wants to Exchange Japanese Bonds

Question—My modest investments recently comprise five shares American Telephone and Telegraph Co., $100 bond American Telephone and Telegraph 1925 6 per cent, $200 bond Victory, 1923, 4¾ per cent, $500 bond French, 1945, 8 per cent, $200 bond Japanese, 1931, 4 per cent. To strengthen my investment position would I not be wise in exchanging the Japanese for a low coupon long term railroad bond at about the same price, or would you suggest putting the proceeds in a preferred stock? I would like to get at least 6 per cent on a long term bond and 7 per cent on a preferred stock.—A. B.

Answer—The following bonds are well secured and would fit your needs, in our opinion: Southern Railway development and general A 4s 1956, to return 6.33 and yield to maturity 6.97 per cent, selling around 61; New York Central & Hudson River Lake Shore collateral trust 3½s 1998 at 63 for a current return of 5.56 per cent, and St. Louis & San Francisco prior lien A 4s 1950, to yield at 62 7.11 per cent.

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Bankers Here Favor Miller Traction Plan

One Sees Practical Solution of Transit Difficulties in Proposed Measures

Bankers in the financial district yesterday generally commended Governor Miller's traction plan providing for a commission composed of entirely New York City men, physical valuation of lines, elimination of preferential payments and participation of the city both in the formulation of the plan and in the negotiations for making it effective.

One banker who is also a member of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit stockholders' protective committee saw in the scheme a practical solution of the city's traction difficulties and the probability of putting into effect many economies not possible under the present system. This banker predicted that the Miller plan would result in higher fares, although it is proposed that this question will not be considered for at least a year and probably longer.

A partner in a large private banking house expressed the opinion that Governor Miller had taken an important step in the right direction. "While the politicians are talking," said he, "Governor Miller comes out showing a splendid grasp of the whole traction situation here with a plan which looks like a move toward a solution of our transit problems. It is gratifying to see some one in authority looking ahead for the welfare of the people of New York. Governor Miller apparently realizes that a delay will be costly and will only tend to aggravate our transit troubles in the future."

Obregon May Undertake Regulation of Petroleum

Mexican Official Says This Is Only Way Oil Deposits Can Be Controlled

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 14.—Delegation of power to President Obregon to regulate petroleum matters is forecast by Vasquez Schiaffino, "official mayor" if the Department of Commerce and Industry. He says that modification of Article 27 of the Mexican Constitution, which nationalizes petroleum deposits, cannot be written into law by the extraordinary session of Congress which began February 7, or by the regular session which will convene on May 1.

"It is impossible," he says, "for such a proposition to be given careful study, debated and approved within the limited time before Congress, and the only solution would be to invest President Obregon with extraordinary authority to deal with petroleum matters."

Senor Schiaffino declares Congress will probably begin discussion soon of a petroleum bill framed originally by Leon Salinas, former Under Secretary of Commerce and Industry, and introduced in Congress during the Carranza administration. This measure will probably be defeated, and President Obregon will then present a bill of his own. This legislation, however, will cause such a prolonged debate that the President will perforce need authority to regulate business in connection with the oil fields. Señor Schiaffino was the original head of Mexico's petroleum department, and held that post until he assumed the position of "official mayor" several weeks ago.

Goodyear Tire Situation

Condition Called Precarious in Letter to Stockholders

F. A. Sieberling, president of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, in a letter to stockholders calling a special meeting on March 4 for acting upon the proposed reorganization plan says that "the position of the company is exceedingly precarious." After pointing out that the company