MARKET TURNS STRONG AND CLOSES NEAR TOP

At Lowest Prices, Declines Are Severe, Running From a Couple to 10 Points.

SOME RECORDS WORRY STREET

Snow Blockade of Country Is Influence on Rails, as Earnings Are Sure to Be Cut Down Both for Roads and Industrials.

BY BROADAN WALL.

NEW YORK, December 17.—After making a score of new low records the stock market turned strong this afternoon and closed at about the best prices, with few changes of importance. At the lowest prices the declines were severe, running from a couple of points as high as 10, the average being about 3 points, some specialties suffered more severely, notably American Tobacco, which was down 6 points, Baltimore Gas 10, and Lake Erie and Western 6.

The new low records in American Telephone, Consolidated Gas and in some of the rails worried the street. Telephone went to 96 1-2, Norfolk and Western 94 1-2, Gas to 76 1-2, Atchison 78 and Northern Pacific to 75 7-8. The last named had not been so low since the year before the Northern Pacific panic, when the stock went from under par to $1,000 a share. Consolidated Gas and Telephone were hurt by a report that plans were under consideration for the purchase of both companies by the City of New York.

The snow blockade of the country was the market influence on the rails. Earnings are sure to be cut down both for railroads and industrials. That somebody is taking advantage of the situation, a fair business-like advantage, is shown in the quick recoveries that took place in several stocks. Northern Pacific sold from 77 to 80 on one transaction, St. Louis and Southwestern rose more than 7 points. Such movements indicate a narrow market, but they also show that liquidation is fairly complete, and that there are people who realize the value of stocks even now. Northern Pacific and St. Louis and Southwestern are typical of railroads that have assets far in excess of what the public believe.

For the decline in Norfolk and Western, Pittsburgh Coal and other properties handling coal the explanation is found in the congestion of freight that interrupts the free delivery of their output.

Weakness of railroad equipment shares was purely sympathetic. For there is no doubt they will have more business than they can attend to in the next few years, no matter who continues to own the railroads, or what the war news may be.

It can be stated on the highest financial authority that if the fortunes of war should temporarily favor the Germans in the drive now pending, and if the securities in Wall Street should yield under the onslaught there will be the best buying on a big scale that perhaps Wall Street has ever experienced. Literally hundreds of millions of dollars are being held in reserve for that purpose. The big financiers feel that while this is Germany's supreme effort it is also the investors' supreme opportunity.

NEW YORK, December 17.—Mercantile paper, 5½@8%. Sterling: sixty-day bills, $4.71¾; commercial sixty-day bills on banks, $4.71; commercial sixty-day bills, $4.70½; demand, $4.75¾; cables, $4.76 7-16; bar silver, 87c; Mexican dollars, 67c; government bonds, easy; railroad bonds, weak. Time loans, strong: sixty days, ninety days and six months, 5@6. Call money, strong; ruling rate, 6.

BOND LIST

Am. Writing Paper 5s (bid) 56
Anglo-French 5s 88¼
Atlantic Coast Line 4s (asked) 80
A. C. L.—and N. col. 4s (asked) 78
A. C. L. cv. deb 4s (Balto) (asked) 76
Chesapeake and Ohio cv. 4½s (bid) 86
Chesapeake and Ohio cv. 5s (bid) 93½
Liggett and Myers 5s (bid) 89
Lorillard 5s (bid) 88
Mercantile Marine 6s 98⅝
Seaboard Air Line adj 5s 49
Seaboard Air Line stamped 4s (asked) 42
Southern Railway 4s 58½
Southern Railway 5s 82
U. S. Registered 2s, 1930 (bid) 96⅝
U. S. Registered 3s, 1918 (bid) 99
U. S. Registered 4s, 1925 (bid) 104
U. S. Reg. Panama 3s, 1961 (bid) 80
U. S. Liberty Loan 3½s 98.50
U. S. Liberty Loan 4s 98.04
United States Steel s. f. 5s 98⅛
Va.-Brown Bros. Ctfs. (W. Va.) (asked) 41
Va.-Car. Chemical Co. 5s (bid) 84
Va.-Car. Chemical Co. cv. 6s (bid) 98

RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

(Courtesy G. Burch & Co.)
Richmond, Va., December 17, 1917.

STATE SECURITIES.	Bid.	Asked
Virginia 3s, Old, C. and R.	90	
Virginia 6s, new	100	
RAILROAD BONDS.		
Seaboard Adjustment 5s	42½	
Southern Railway 1st 5s	82	
So. R. Dev. and G. M. 4s	57	
STREET RY. BONDS.		
Nor. and Ports. Trac. Co. 5s		52
Va. Ry. and Pow. Co. 5s	52	
STREET RY. STOCKS.	Par.	Bid. Asked
Va. Ry. and Pow. Co. pfd.	100	98
Va. Ry. and Pow. Co. com.	100	44
RAILROAD STOCKS.		
Atlantic Coast Line com.	100	34
Atlantic Coast Line pfd.	100	42
Norfolk and Western, com.	100	62
Seaboard Air Line, pfd.	100	18
Seaboard Air Line, com.	100	4½
Southern Railway, pfd.	100	55
Southern Railway, com.	100	22½
BANK AND TRUST CO. STOCKS.		
American National	100	
Broad Street	100	263
Manchester National	100	42
Bd Trust and Savings Co.	100	116
Virginia Trust Company	100	
West End Bank	100	46
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Jeff. Realty Corp 1st pfd.	100	30
Va.-Car. Chemical, pfd.	100	85
Va.-Car. Chemical, com.	100	30
Va. Building and Loan Co.	100	100

COTTON MARKETS.

NEW YORK, December 17.—Irregular early fluctuations were followed by a sharp rally in cotton to-day. After selling at $.91 on the opening January broke to $.85, but advanced to $.97 in the late trading, with the general list closing firm at a net advance of 20 to 30 points. The market opened steady at an advance of 10 to 29 points on covering on the bulge of Saturday. The bulge encountered further Wall Street and local liquidation, however, and Nine Orleans selling on the setback, which carried active months to a 5 point net lower during the middle of the morning, with December selling at 29.40, March at 28.60 and May at 28.50, offering then subsided, with the market recovering firmer following rumors that private estimates indicated a ginning of only 10,140,000 bales prior to December 13. Such figures would indicate a larger ginning than any of the concerned with the previous ginning period. Recent weakness in the cotton goods market, however, put a reaction evidently became near-by and prices advanced rapidly in the second hour, particularly after May had sold at prices west at approximately the best of the day. Cotton futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
January	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
March	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
May	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
July	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
October	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Spot quiet; middling, 30.00c.				

NEW YORK, December 17.—Port movement: Middling, 30 bales; net receipts, 189 bales; gross receipts, 1,000 bales; exports, to France, 1,000 bales; to other foreign ports—Net receipts, 1,000 bales; total to date—Net receipts, 2,334 bales; for the week—Net receipts, 3,260,924 bales; exports, 1,000 bales; total to date, 3,260,924 bales; stock, 3,912,428 bales.

NEW ORLEANS, December 17.—The main influence on the cotton position today was the report of Secretary Ballard, showing the ginning of cotton from the period between the 1st and 13th of December had fallen off 10 per cent from the return to the Department of Agriculture a month ago, from the Department the cotton trading showed a sharp break in the forenoon, which was in part brought over the usual speculation of a holiday. Later prices were quite steady, showing a net gain of 10 points to 43 points on the day. At the opening the market was higher, owing to the first call traders brought out a heavy selling, apparently for short account, which carried the market down 20 points under the opening figure. Toward the middle of the forenoon a better feeling developed, and in the afternoon the time was marked by a steady advance, which carried prices up 20 points off. Sales, on the spot were fair, to arrive, 200 bales. Middling.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

NEW YORK, December 17.—Raw sugar, nominal; centrifugal, 96 test, [illegible] cent duty, [illegible]; molasses, [illegible]; refined, steady; fine granulated, 8.15@8.25; cut loaf, 8.90@9.10; crushed, 9.40@9.60; mould A, 8.[illegible]; cut loaf, 8.[illegible]; crushed, 9.40@9.60; powdered, 8.[illegible]; XXXX powdered, 9.10@9.30; fine granulated, 8.[illegible]; diamond A, 8.[illegible]; confectioners' A, 8.60; No. 1, 8.[illegible]; No. 2, 8.[illegible]. Butter and cheese firm. Spot coffee steady; Rio 7s, 9¾; Santos 4s, 9¾.

The market for refined oil was very quiet, with prices nominally unchanged. Offerings of cottonseed oil were light, due to the strength in crude. December sold at $.60, January at [illegible] and March at 18.85. Final bids were [illegible] to 10 points net higher. Sales, [illegible] barrels. Prime crude, 17.50 nominal. Prime summer yellow, spot, 19.50; December, [illegible] and January, 18.60; March, 18.85; May, [illegible].

RICHMOND PRODUCE MARKET.

Wholesale Quotations.
(By G. B. Cross & Co.)
Richmond, Va., December 17, 1917.

Live Poultry.

Chickens, choice, small, lb.	@	25
Chickens, choice, medium, lb.	@	25
Chickens, large, lb.	@	25
Hens, per lb.	@	20
Roosters, each	@	50
Ducks, large, young, lb.	18 @	20
Turkeys	27 @	28

Eggs and Butter.

In crates, nearby, fresh, doz.	45 @	..
Family, choice, fresh, lb.	36 @	38
Merchants' fair, per lb.	32 @	

Live Stock.

Veals, choice to fancy, lb.	14 @	14½
Veals, poor to fair, lb.	11 @	13
Calves, runners, per lb.	7 @	9
Lambs, spring, lb.	14 @	16
Cattle, fair to prime, per lb.	4 @	5
Hogs, lb.	@	18
Rabbits, each	25 @	30

Hides.

Dry flint, lb.	@	31
Dry, salt, lb.	@	26
Green, salt, per lb.	@	18
Green, flint, lb.	@	16
Green, damaged, per lb.	4 @	8
Tallow	@	12½
Beeswax	@	30

RICHMOND FRUIT MARKET.

Wholesale Quotations.
(By W. G. Cheatham & Co.)
Richmond, Va., December 17, 1917.

Apples.

Fancy Black Twigs	@	6 00
Fancy Stayman Saps	@	6 00
Fancy Winesaps	@	6 00
Fancy Yorks	@	4 50
Fancy Pippins	@	6 00
Fancy Black Bens	@	6 00
Fancy Paradise Sweets	@	6 00
Fancy eating varieties	@	6 00
No. 1 Black Twigs	@	5 00
No. 1 Stayman Saps	@	5 00
No. 1 Winesaps	@	4 00
No. 1 Yorks	@	4 00
No. 1 Pippins	@	5 00
No. 1 Black Bens	@	4 50
No. 1 Paradise Sweets	@	4 50
No. 1 Ben Davis	@	3 75
No. 2 Black Twigs	@	3 50
No. 2 Stayman Saps	@	3 50
No. 2 Winesaps	@	3 50
No. 2 Yorks	@	3 25
No. 2 Pippins	@	3 50
No. 2 Black Bens	@	3 50
No. 2 Ben Davis	@	2 75
No. 2 Other varieties	@	2 50

Oranges, Grapefruit, Cranberries.

Florida oranges	@	4 00
Florida grapefruit	@	3 15
California oranges	@	4 25
Cranberries, barrel	@	14 00
Cranberries, box	@	3 50

Vegetables.

Beans, Florida green, hamper	@	2 50
Beans, Florida wax, hamper	@	2 50
Beets, bunch, per 100	@	2 00
Beets, Jersey, basket	@	50
Cabbage, domestic, ton	@	17 00
Cabbage, Danish, ton	@	30 00
Cucumbers, hothouse, doz.	@	2 00
Celery, rough, crate	@	3 00
Celery, Florida	@	90
Eggplant, Florida, crate	@	4 50
Lettuce, N. Y. and N. J., box	@	2 25
Lettuce, Virginia, hamper	@	1 50
Lettuce, New Orleans, bbl.	@	10 00
Mushrooms, 4-qt. basket	@	2 00
Onions, yellow, 100-lb. sack	@	3 50
Onions, red, 100-lb. sack	@	3 00
Onions, white quillers	@	4 00
Okra, Florida, crate	@	1 00
Parsnips, Jersey, basket	@	75
Parsnips, barrel	@	4 00
Peppers, Florida, hamper	@	5 00
Parsley, hamper	@	1 50
Romaine, box	@	2 00
Peppers, Florida, crate	@	5 50
Squash, Florida, crate	@	4 00
Tomatoes, Florida, crate	@	5 00
Tomatoes, California, box	@	2 50
Tomatoes, hothouse, lb.	@	30
Sweet potatoes, Eastern Shore, barrel, No. 1	@	3 50
Sweet Potatoes, Eastern Shore, barrel, No. 2	@	2 25
Sweet potatoes, local, bbl.	@	3 25
Potatoes, local, 100 lbs.	@	2 00
Potatoes, Penn, round stock, 100 lbs.	@	2 50
Potatoes, New York, round stock, 100 lbs.	@	2 50
Potatoes, Michigan, round stock, 100 lbs.	@	2 50
Florida Lettuce	@	4 00
Rhode Island Cauliflower	@	3 00

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

CHICAGO, December 17.—Mild weather accompanied by rural notice of large receipts had a bearish effect on the day on corn. The close was unsettled, ⅛ to ⅜ net lower, with January 1.30⅛ to 1.31, and May 1.18⅛. Oats also lost ⅛ to ⅛. Provisions scored an advance of 25c to 70c.

WHEAT—	Open	High	Low	Close
Prices not quoted.				
CORN—				
Dec.	1.28	1.28	1.24½	1.24⅝
Jan.	1.21½	1.21½	1.20⅞	1.21
May	1.19¼	1.19¼	1.18½	1.18⅞
OATS—				
Dec.	75	75¼	74⅞	74⅞
Mar.	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
May	72	72	71¼	71½
PORK—				
Jan.	44.50	44.50	44.35	44.00
May	44.87	44.90	44.50	44.60
LARD—				
Jan.	23.62	23.80	23.42	23.50
May	23.90	24.12	23.72	24.10
RIBS—				
Jan.	23.60	23.65	23.37	23.65
May	24.05	24.12	23.80	24.10

Cash grain: Corn—No. 2 yellow, nominal; No. 3 yellow, nominal; No. 4 yellow, 1.19@1.20.

RICHMOND GRAIN MARKET.

Wholesale Quotations on Exchange.
Richmond, Va., December 17, 1917.

WHEAT—Car Lots:	Prices as regulated by the government.
No. 2 red, winter	
No. 3 red, soft winter	
No. 2 red	
Virginia, bag lots	
Virginia, bag lots (for seed)	
CORN—Car Lots:	
No. 1 white	@ 1 59
No. 2 white	@ 1 57
No. 3 white	@ 1 55
No. 1 mixed	@ 1 53
No. 2 mixed	@ 1 51
No. 3 mixed	@ 1 49
Virginia, bag lots	1 50 @ 1 70
Corn on the cob	1 35 @ 1 60
OATS—Car Lots:	
No. 2 mixed	@ 80
No. 3 mixed	@ 79
No. 2 white	@ 82
No. 3 white	@ 81
Winter seed, bag lots	70 @ 1 25
RYE—Car Lots:	
No. 2 rye	nominal
No. 3 rye	nominal
Virginia, bag lots	nominal

RICHMOND HAY MARKET.

Wholesale Quotations on Exchange.
Richmond, Va., December 17, 1917.

HAY—Car Lots:		
No. 1 timothy	@	31 00
No. 2 timothy	@	30 00
No. 3 timothy	@	27 50
Light clover, mixed	@	30 00
No. 1 clover, mixed	@	28 00
No. 2 clover, mixed	@	27 00
No. 1 clover	@	26 00
No. 2 clover	@	25 00
Sample hay	@	23 00
STRAW—Compressed	@	16 00
STRAW—Loose-pressed, large bales	@	17 00
SHUCKS—Compressed	14 50 @	15 00
SHUCKS—Loose-pressed, large bales	13 00 @	13 50
MILLFEED—Car Lots:		
Shipstuff, winter	@	48 00
Bran, winter	@	46 00
Shipstuff, spring	@	44 00
Bran, spring	@	44 00

NEW YORK LIVE STOCK MARKET.

NEW YORK, December 17.—Beeves, steady; steers, $9.25@$13.15; bulls, $6.50@$10.50; cows, $4.30@$9.25.

Calves, firm; veals, $14.00@$17.00; culls, $13.50@$13.50; grassers, $9.00@$9.50; yearlings, $7.00@$8.00; Western, $11.75@$12.25.

Sheep and lambs, firm; sheep, $7.50@$11.50; culls, $5.00@$7.00; lambs, $18.50@$19.50; culls, $12.00@$14.50.

Hogs, easier; light to heavy, $17.00@$17.50; roughs, $16.50.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

CHICAGO, December 17.—Hogs: receipts, 32,000, firm; bulk, $16.75@$16.95; light, $16.55@$16.90; mixed, $16.55@$16.40; heavy, $16.65@$16.40; rough, $16.65@$16.80; pigs, $11.00@$13.50.

Cattle: receipts, 15,000, firm; native steers, $7.25@$14.40; Western steers, $6.75@$12.90; stockers and feeders, $6.25@$10.35; cows and heifers, $3.00@$11.10; calves, $9.00@$16.25.

Sheep: receipts, 12,000, firm; wethers, $8.90@$12.60; lambs, $12.10@$16.80.

RICHMOND LIVE STOCK MARKET.

(Sales at Union Stock Yards.)
Richmond, Va., December 17, 1917.

Report for the week ending December 8, 1917:

Choice steers, 11@12; medium to good, 8½@10; common to fair, 7½@8. Choice heifers, 9@9½; medium to good, 7½@8½; common to fair, 6½@7. Choice cows, 8@8½; medium to good, 6½@7; common to fair, 5½@6¼. Best heavy bulls, 7½@7¾; light, 6½@6¾. Best calves, 14; common to fair, 11@12½. Best heavy hogs, 17¼; medium weight, 17¼@17¾; light, 16@16½; sows and stags, 13@16. Best sheep, 8@9; common to fair, 5½@6½; best lambs, 15@16; medium, 12½@14.

MISCELLANEOUS MARKETS.

DRY GOODS.

NEW YORK, December 17.—Cotton goods here to-day were generally firm. Yarns were firm and raw silk unchanged. Dress goods were steady. Cotton blankets made by the Nashua mills were withdrawn from sale during the day, the product up to September, 1918, having been allotted among customers and covered with orders. Prices for later deliveries have been advanced 10 per cent on the opening prices.

NAVAL STORES.

SAVANNAH, December 17.—Turpentine, firm, 44; sales, 111 casks; receipts, 77 casks; shipments, 296 casks; stock, 25,966 casks. Rosin, firm; sales, 163 barrels; receipts, 610 barrels; shipments, 854 barrels; stock, 79,448 barrels. Quote: B, D, $6.75; E, $6.80; G, $6.90; H, $6.95; I, $7.00; K, $7.05; M, $7.25; N, $7.50; WG, $7.60; WW, $7.65.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

Reported by Rogers, Plummer & Co. (Inc.)
PETERSBURG, VA., December 17.—Spanish (farmers' stock) market weak at $2 per bushel.

Virginias (farmers' stock), market weak; fancy, jumbo, 8½ cents per pound; extra prime, 8¼ cents per pound; prime, 7½ cents per pound.

On the Curb.

NEW YORK, December 17.—Irregular price changes marked trading on the curb market, which was again quiet. There was no feature to the transactions, interest being scattered throughout a narrow list of issues. Industrial issues were entirely without feature, although the motor stocks did show some strength.

2,000 Aetna Explosives, 7⅝@7¾; 2,500 Chevrolet Motor, 63@64; 2,000 United Motors, 14¼@14⅞; 2,000 Cosden Oil, 6¼@6¾; 1,000 Federal Oil, 2¼@2⅜; 500 Int. Petroleum, 11½@12; 1,000 Mex. Petroleum, 5⅞@5¾; 3,000 Oklahoma Oil, common, 4⅝@4¾; 500 Victoria Oil new, 3¾@4; 1,200 Atlanta Oil, 8@9; 15,000 Big Ledge, 1⅝@1¾; 1,000 Calumet and Jerome, 15-16@1-1; 1,700 Goldfield Comet, 5-16@7-16; 5,000 Green Monster, 9-16@11-16; 2,000 Jerome Verde, 9-16@¾; 500 Jumbo Ext., 15@16; 3,500 Mother Lode, 7½@8; 2,300 Nipissing, 8¾@8⅞; 1,500 Tonopah Extension, 19@19½; 1,000 Am. Writing Paper, com., 1¼@1½; 5,000 Midwest Oil, 87@89; 2,600 Oklahoma P. and R., 2¾@6; 2,500 U. S. Steamship Co., 4⅝@4⅞.

MISSING GIRL SOUGHT

Miss Julia McNulty, of Winchester, Disappears After Visiting Italian Shoe Repairer.

WINCHESTER, VA., December 17.—The police of this and adjoining States are being furnished with descriptions of Miss Julia McNulty, member of a well-known family, who mysteriously disappeared Friday. She was last seen with a girl friend at the Baltimore and Ohio station, since which all trace of the girl has been lost. Her mother, Mrs. Sadie McNulty, came here recently from Philadelphia, and is with her father, William Dunlop.

The authorities have discovered that the girl was at the shop of Sam Ensogna, an Italian shoe repairer, on Friday. She is fourteen years old, quite large for her age, has light hair and blue yes and of attractive appearance. She wore a checked dress and Shepherd's plaid coat and black and red felt hat.

Fire Destroys Sanatorium.

RALEIGH, N. C., December 17.—Brooks Hall, one of the principal dormitories at the State Sanatorium, was reported to the State Department of Insurance as destroyed by fire last night. Dr. McBrayer, head of the institution, was obliged to return thirty patients to their homes to-day. The fire loss was $3,500, partially insured.

WAR SAVINGS STAMPS AS CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

Director Litchford Suggests Their Use as Presents to Employees in Lieu of Gold Pieces.

Employers can be of great help in promoting the great nation-wide thrift and war savings movement, according to City Director Henry E. Litchford, in charge of the campaign in Richmond. Mr. Litchford points out that it has been the custom of some establishments to remember employees at Christmas time with gold pieces. He suggests that war savings certificates, with one or more stamps affixed, together with a thrift card, with one or more stamps affixed, be substituted for gold as gifts this year.

Many employees desiring to save systematically, Mr. Litchfield contends, may welcome the opportunity of having a part of their wages paid in war savings stamps or thrift cards. This, of course, would not be done without the employee's consent, and Director Litchfield suggests that employers prepare an appropriate order for the signature of the employee authoriing the employer to place in his pay envelope war savings stamps or thrift stamps in an amount to be determined by the employee.

The co-operation of fraternal, civic and other organizations is essential in this vast campaign. Much of the success of the movement depends upon the ease and convenience with which the public may purchase war savings stamps. To facilitate this, Mr. Litchfield is now engaged in receiving the applications of various business houses and organizations to become agencies for the sale of the stamps. He is being assisted in this work by members of the Richmond Chapter, American Institute of Banking.

One war savings society has already been formed here and others soon will be. The formation of these societies is urged by the National War Savings Committee. A society may be organized by any group of ten or more persons, and upon proper application a certificate of affiliation with the National War Savings Committee will be issued.

FUEL ADMINISTRATOR PUTS MERCHANTS ON NOTICE

Display Signs and Window Lights Forbidden on Sunday and Thursday Nights.

Many of the merchants in Richmond were in doubt as to when the new ruling of the fuel administration ordering all electric signs, display signs and window lights out on Thursday and Sunday nights of each week, went into effect, despite the fact that the newspapers specifically stated that the order went into effect at once, beginning December 16, and the result was that many of the merchants left their lights burning Sunday night, while others conformed to the order. Nevertheless, the administrator thinks that there was no intention of the merchants to violate the order, but merely a failure to understand when the law took effect.

Therefore, to obviate any further misunderstanding of the recent order of the national fuel administrator, Mr. Byrd, the State fuel administrator, yesterday dispatched letters to all the merchants in town, the theaters and the Virginia Railway and Power Company, advising them of the new ruling and cautioning them to abide by same.

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Real Estate Summary

4 Chancery transfers	$5,100 00
2 Hustings transfers	$1,365 00
3 Chancery trust deeds	$5,404 00
2 Hustings trust deeds	$1,500 00
5 Chancery release deeds	$8,008 19
1 Building permit	$9,000 00

CHANCERY TRANSFERS.

J. P. McDaniel to D. A. Bigbie, 170x199 feet north line of Richard Street, 112 11-12 feet east of Seventeenth Street, December 14, 1917; tax, $3.50; $5.

Della M. Hall et al. to H. M. White, 30x140 feet east line of Fourth Street, 30 feet north of Althea Street, November 6, 1917; tax, 50 cents; $1.

Robert M. Smith, executor and trustee, et als., to H. E. Magee, 42x171 3-4 feet west line of Temple Street, 122 feet north of an alley, October 6, 1917; $1,250.

M. H. Omohundro et ux. to Dora Goodall, lot 4, section C, Oak Park, April 10, 1917; $190.

HUSTINGS TRANSFERS.

Daniel Grinnan, special commissioner, to A. N. Pettigrew, 28 1-2x155 feet, known as 1719 Maury Street, December 15, 1917; $665.

J. P. Nash et ux. to M. O. Robertson et als., lots 11 and 12, block 4, Bellvue, November 9, 1917; $700.

CHANCERY TRUST DEEDS.

H. E. Magee et ux. to W. R. Stansbury, trustee, 42x171 3-4 feet west line of Temple Street, known as 226 Temple Street, December 10, 1917; $1,180.

R. L. Pilkinton et ux. to Willis & Johnson, trustees, 50x135 feet, known as 1205 North Avenue, December 11, 1917; $954.

E. Robinson et ux. to Leroy E. Brown, trustee, 19 1-4x87 1-6 feet, known as 938 West Leigh Street, December 15, 1917; $3,360.

HUSTINGS TRUST DEEDS.

A. N. Pettigrew et ux. to J. B. Welsh, trustee, et als., 28 1-2x155 feet, known as 1719 Maury Street, December 15, 1917; $600.

Robertson & Forward to H. L. Golson, trustee, lots 11 and 12, block 4, Bellvue, November 9, 1917; $690.

CHANCERY RELEASE DEEDS.

Bessie Catlin Howard, executrix of E. A. Catlin, trustee, to Hattie P. Hancock et vir, lot 21, block 3, Highland Park, November 26, 1917; $896.

Leroy E. Brown et al., trustees, to George E. Wise et ux., 32x120 feet north line of Leigh Street, 74 feet west of Ninth Street, August 1, 1917; $3,540.

Trustees of Citizens Building and Loan Association No. 12 B, to A. C. Becker, 57x152 feet, known as 808-10-12 North Twenty-eighth Street, December 1, 1917; $2,600.

M. H. Omohundro, trustee, to Clyde H. Childress, lot 19, block F, Park Place, December 13, 1917; $475.

L. W. McVeigh, trustee, to James M. Gentry, 50x116 feet, southeast corner Nevada Avenue and Meadow Street, December 17, 1917; $557.19.

BUILDING PERMIT.

The following permit was issued yesterday by the Building Inspector:

Hugh M. Taylor, to repair brick dwelling, 213-215 East Franklin Street, to cost $9,000.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses were issued yesterday by the clerk of the Hustings Court. (Note—figures after names denote ages.):

William E. Kahl, 35, and Rosa May Bookman, 20, city.

William A. Scott, 21, and Mary J. Poore, 17, city.

Russell R. Caldwell, 24, and Lynetta Baker, 18, city.

Christopher T. Coleman, 21, and Bessie W. Martin, 18, city.

Carl Hocker, 21, Newport News, and Grace Ferguson, 23, Petersburg, Ind.

James L. Baughan, 36, and Elsie Richardson, 21, city.

George T. Raborg, 23, and Margaret E. Reid, 21, city.

Leslie S. Clarke, 32, Arizona, and May Parks, 30, Tucson, Ariz.

Graduate in Aeronautics.

Carol C. Lathrop, son of Mrs. George Lathrop, graduated from United States School of Military Aeronautics, Princeton University, and has been ordered to Texas to go in training there.

Three Years in Prison.

Lillian Cousins, colored, charged with housebreaking and burglary, was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary yesterday by a jury in the Hustings Court.

Must Not Hitch Sleds to Vehicles.

The Police Department has taken immediate steps to put a stop to the hitching of sleds to automobiles. This hitching of sleds to automobiles is an exceedingly dangerous thing, although many of the children in the city, particularly on the Boulevard and other West End streets, have indulged in this frolic.

Another pastime of the children is to skate on many of the traffic-congested streets. That it is a dangerous attempt is proved by the fact that many have escaped injury and possible death from passing vehicles by a narrow margin.

AUCTION SALES—Future Day

A. M. GOVER,
Auctioneer.

TRUSTEE'S AUCTION SALE
OF
FOUR-STORY AND BASEMENT FIRE-PROOF BRICK AND CONCRETE WAREHOUSE, 99x100 feet, being Nos. 317, 319, 321, 323, 325 AND 327 NORTH SEVENTEENTH STREET, IN THE CITY OF RICHMOND, VA.

By virtue of a deed of trust from the West Chesapeake Realty Corporation to the undersigned trustee, dated March 1, 1913, and recorded in the Chancery Court of the City of Richmond, Va., in D. B. 221-C, page 161, default having been made in the payment of interest on the notes secured by said deed, and taxes on the hereinafter described real estate, and the trustee being required so to do by beneficiary therein, the undersigned trustee will offer for sale on the premises, at public auction, on

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1917,

at 4 o'clock P. M.,

the following described real estate:

All that lot of land in the city of Richmond, Va., with a four-story and basement brick and concrete warehouse building thereon, known as Nos. 317, 319, 321, 323, 325 and 327 N. Seventeenth Street, between Broad and Marshall Streets, and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the east side of Seventeenth Street distant one hundred and thirty-one (131) feet north of the northeast corner of Broad and Seventeenth Streets; thence running northwardly along said east line of Seventeenth Street ninety-nine (99) feet; thence back eastwardly between parallel lines running through the center of the northern and southern brick walls of said building one hundred (100) feet to an alley in the rear in common, along which there are spur tracks of the C. & O. Railway.

The said property is to be sold on the following terms, to-wit: That the purchaser shall assume the payment of all sums due and owing under the prior deeds on said property set out in the above-mentioned deed and shall assume the performance of all the terms and conditions of said deeds, and shall pay the balance of the purchase price in cash. All desired information will be announced at sale.

JOHN GARLAND POLLARD,
Trustee.

RAILROADS

Richmond & Petersburg Electric Railway

Leave Richmond.	Leave Petersburg.
*5:10 A. M.	*3:35 P. M.
*6 A. M.	*4:35 P. M.
6:33 A. M.	5:35 P. M.
†7:30 A. M.	6:35 P. M.
*7:35 A. M.	7:35 P. M.
8:33 A. M.	‡7:05 P. M.
9:33 A. M.	8:35 P. M.
10:33 A. M.	9:35 P. M.
11:36 A. M.	10:35 P. M.
12:33 P. M.	*10:40 P. M.
1:33 P. M.	11:40 P. M.
2:33 P. M.	12:15 A. M.

*Baggage. ‡Limited. ‡Week Days Only.

CHESAPEAKE & OHIO RAILWAY

Cin., Lou'vle & West., Main Line Local. *2:00 p., *10:15 p.
James River Line. *8:30 a., 12:00 n., 4:00 p., 10:00 a., 12:15 p.
N. News, Nfk., Old Point. *8:30 a., 12:00 n., *4:00 p.
Newport News, Local. *8:30 a., *12:00 n., *4:00 p., *7:00 a., *2:15 p.
Trains arrive from Norfolk: *11:10 a., *1:45 p., 6:40 p.
N. News: *9:05 a., 8:05 p. From West: *8:10 a., *3:45 p. Locals, 10:45 a., *7:45 p.
James River, 8:25 a., *5:10 p.
*Daily. ‡Except Sunday.

Seaboard Air Line Railway Company

"The Progressive Railway of the South."
Trains leave daily: 9 A. M., Norfina local 12:50 P. M., Sleepers Atlanta and Jacksonville 6:35 P. M. sleepers Jacksonville, St. Petersburg, Columbia, coaches; 10:50 P. M., Atlanta, Birmingham Special; 12:42 A. M., sleepers Jacksonville, Tampa. Trains arrive 5:20 A. M., 7:42 A. M., 8:15 A. M., 5:35 P. M., 6:30 P. M.

Richmond, Fredericksburg & Potomac R. R.

To and from Washington and beyond—Daily.

Leave Richmond	Arrive Richmond
▲† 6.15 AM	† 7.50 AM
* 6.27 AM	*12.40 PM
† 7.50 AM	† 2.50 PM
* 7.52 AM	* 5.40 PM
* 8.20 AM	* 6.30 PM
† 8.40 AM	‡ 8.50 PM
*12.01 PM	† 9.35 PM
† 2.50 PM	*10.35 PM
† 6.25 PM	*12.55 NL
† 8.20 PM	‡12.40 NL

Richmond-Washington Local, Lv. ‡1.50 PM, week days; ‡4.15 PM, Sundays; Ar. ‡11.25 AM, daily. Fredericksburg Accom. week days, Lv. ‡4.15 PM; Ar. ‡8.10 AM. Ashland Accom. week days, Lv. ‡7.25 AM, 6.30 PM; Ar. ‡6.30 AM, 5.42 PM.

▲Elba ticket and baggage offices not open for this train. *Main St. Sta. ‡Byrd St. Sta. (stopping at Elba). ‡Elba Sta.

Richmond & Chesapeake Bay Railway Company

Superseding Schedule of April 14, 1914. Schedule Subject to Change Without Notice.

Trains leave Richmond b*5:50 A. M., *7 A. M., b8 A. M., 9 A. M., **10 A. M.,