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INVESTOLS' INDEX NMBEESS OF SECURITY PRICES
$1926=100$

The "Investors'" weighted index numbers of security prices, computed by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics on the base 1926=100, were as follows for the week ending npril 5 th.

The "Investors"" index for all three groups of common stocks combined was 96.7 for the weck ending ipril 5 th, as compard with 94.9 for the previous week.

The "Investors"" index of industrial common stocks was 133.0 for the week ending april 5 th, as compared with 130.2 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index of domestic utility common stocks was 58.6 for the week ending sipril 5 th, as compared with 58.8 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index of common stocks of companies located abroad in which Canadians are heavily interested was 94.4 for the week ending ripril 5 th, as compared with 90.4 for the previous week.

Average weekly prices were high ror seventeen, unchanged for one and lower for seven of the twenty-five be st selling stocks on the Kontreal and Toronto Exchanges. Canadian Industrial alcohol "is" rose from $\$ 14.1$ to $\$ 15.7$, Walkers from $\$ 42.9$ to $\$ 44.9$, Hiollinger from $\$ 17.7$ to $\$ 19.1$, International Nickel from $\$ 27.4$ to $\$ 27.9$, Consolidated Mining and Smelting from \$164.5 to \$168.9, Ford "a" from \$22.3 to $\$ 23.0$ and Brazilian from $\$ 11.0$ to 11.3 . Montreal Light, Heat and Power fell from $\$ 38.4$ to 37.4 , Canadian Dredge and Dry Dock from $\$ 23.7$ to $\$ 22.7$ and Shawinigan from $\$ 22.2$ to 21.9 .

Sales were lower for twenty and higher for five stocks. Walkers declined from 18,500 to 6,400, Intermational Nickel from 62,900 to 14,700, Consolidated Mining and Smelting from 2,600 to 1,500, Montreal Light, Heat and Power from 7,200 to 3,800, C.P.R. from 12,200 to 5,800 , Hollinger from 12,400 to 7,400 , Shawinigan from 6,000 to 2,500, Loblaw from 5,400 to 1,400 and Bull Telcphone from 700 to 500. National Breweries mounted from 1,300 to 2,300 , Stec 1 of Canada from 600 to 1,000 and Canada Northern Power from 800 to 1,200 .

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The following steps are taken to insure that investors' index numbers of sccurity prices indicate correctly the movements of the Canadian market for common stocks:-

1. The pricc and number of shares in every sale recorded on Toronto and Montreal exchange sheets are used in making weekly average prices for all stocks included in this index.
2. Weekly averago prices are weighted in accordance with the amount of stock outstanding. This figure is used rather than amounts traded from week to week, because it gives a broader picture of the security prices structure. Weights based on stocks traded omphasize the speculative side of the market and index formulae which permit the use of frequently changing weights often producc a serious bias.
3. ins issues grow inactive they are discarded and new stocks of growing importance are added.

TABLE OF INDEX NUMBERS


The Investors' Index Numbers measure the trend of values for the Investor who buys a fixed list of stocks and holds them over a long period.
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