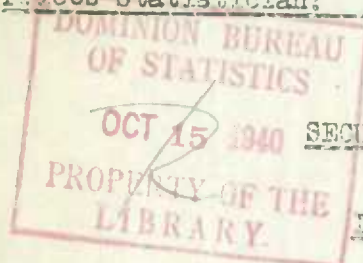


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Single copies 10 cents.SECURITY PRICES AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE, OCTOBER 4-10.
(1926=100)INDUSTRIAL AND UTILITY COMMON STOCK PRICES

Domestic industrial and utility common stock prices pursued a progressively lower course during the week ended October 10, reflecting increased tension over the Far Eastern situation. Due largely to the decline in industrial stocks which dropped 3.6 p.c. the Investors' daily index for 95 common stocks dropped 2.9 p.c. to 81.4 between October 3 and 10. An index for 19 utilities was off only 1.8 p.c. to 38.9 in the same interval. Transportation issues with a loss of 7.2 p.c. showed the sharpest decline, while among others, pulp and paper dropped 4.7 p.c. to 16.1 and industrial mines 4.6 p.c. to 307.6. Milling stocks with an increase of 0.1 p.c. to 82.1 were the only group to register an increase.

MINING STOCK PRICES

The general price index of mining issues closed the week ended October 10 at 112.1 for a loss of 1.5 p.c., with dealings lighter than in the preceding week. Following a gain of 0.6 to 114.4 on October 4, the price index of twenty-five mining issues remained stationary on the next two days. Thereafter, markets were unsettled by developments related to the Orient, and mining stock prices moved moderately lower. Gold and base metal issues registered net losses for the week of 1.5 p.c. and 1.4 p.c. to 84.7 and 226.0 respectively, with most of the decline occurring on October 9. Average indexes for the gold group were 85.9 for the week ended October 10 and 85.1 for the week ended October 3, while corresponding averages for base metals rose to 228.3 from 227.2.

LONG-TERM BOND PRICES AND YIELDS

Dominion of Canada long-term bond prices were firm in the week ending October 10, and the Bureau's index rose from 115.5 p.c. to 115.8 p.c. of the 1926 average. The daily index was unchanged at 115.7 p.c. for the first two days, but then advanced to 115.8 p.c. on the 7th, and remained at that level for the balance of the week. The index of yields fell from 71.3 to 71.1, which compared with 77.2 for the corresponding week of last year. Provincials moved higher also, with increases fairly numerous, but seldom exceeding 1/2 point.

British Consols closed up 1/4 at 74 1/4, while the Dow-Jones average of selected United States bonds was reduced from 90.59 to 89.92. Comparative figures for October 10, 1939, were 63 7/8 for British Consols and 89.70 for the Dow-Jones average.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

(Quotations are Montreal noon rates unless otherwise specified)

Official buying and selling rates set by the Canadian Foreign Exchange Control Board for sterling and United States funds remained unaltered at \$4.43-\$4.47 and \$1.10-\$1.11 during the week ended October 10. At New York sterling free market rates opened the week 1/2¢ higher at \$4.04 where they remained until the 9th when a 1/4¢ drop to \$4.03 3/4 occurred. In contrast with its weakness of the preceding week the Canadian dollar at New York stiffened 1¢ to 86 1/4¢ during the period under review. Swiss franc rates at Montreal continued to show further improvement finishing up 1.8 points at 25.72¢, a new peak for the year to date. Continued strength in the Swiss franc reflected a further return of capital. Coinciding with reports of a \$20 million loan by the United States Export-Import Bank, the Argentine peso (free rate) advanced 22 points on the week to 26.03¢. Far Eastern rates were mixed, a moderate advance for the Shanghai dollar being counterbalanced by a drop in the Hong Kong dollar rate. Quotations for the Swedish krona held steady at 26.43¢.

SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL PRICE FACTORS

Dates	<u>1940</u> <u>OCTOBER</u>						Weekly Average	Preceding Weekly Average	Correspond- ing Weekly Average	Weekly Average A Year Ago
	4	5	7	8	9	10	Oct.4-10	Sept.27-Oct.3	Last Month	
INVESTORS' PRICE INDEX, 95 COMMON STOCKS	83.6	83.5	83.2	82.3	81.4	81.4	82.7	82.8	83.6	103.4
68 INDUSTRIALS	134.0	133.8	133.4	131.4	129.8	129.4	132.3	132.3	133.7	171.8
Machinery and Equipment (8)	106.3	106.3	105.8	105.1	103.9	103.7	105.7	104.4	106.4	144.8
Pulp and Paper (7)	17.0	16.5	16.5	16.3	16.1	16.1	16.5	16.4	16.3	21.3
Milling (3)	82.3	82.3	81.8	81.8	81.8	82.1	81.8	80.9	80.6	107.5
Oils (4)	119.3	118.7	118.2	115.9	114.7	114.4	117.5	117.8	123.4	179.7
Textiles and Clothing (10)	81.3	81.3	81.3	81.7	81.3	81.5	81.4	81.5	83.0	78.6
Food and Allied Products (12)	165.7	164.1	163.1	163.2	162.3	162.2	163.3	164.3	164.9	175.0
Beverages (7)	125.4	125.1	124.1	124.0	124.1	123.8	124.5	125.4	124.9	118.2
Building Materials (15)	125.5	125.7	125.8	125.1	123.5	123.1	124.7	124.5	120.9	153.7
Industrial Mines (2)	320.3	321.5	321.5	314.9	308.7	307.6	324.2	315.7	312.3	394.8
19 UTILITIES	39.5	39.3	39.1	39.0	38.7	38.9	39.1	39.1	39.5	45.5
Transportation (2)	13.7	13.7	13.4	13.4	12.7	12.9	13.2	13.4	14.2	20.4
Telephone & Telegraph (2)	117.4	117.6	117.2	117.1	117.8	117.6	117.5	116.2	117.5	123.2
Power and Traction (15)	51.8	51.4	51.3	51.1	51.0	51.3	51.3	51.7	51.4	57.6
8 BANKS	74.9	75.0	75.1	75.0	74.9	74.9	75.0	75.6	76.6	78.6
MINING STOCK PRICE INDEX, 25 STOCKS	114.4	114.4	114.4	114.0	112.2	112.1	113.6	112.8	110.5	140.1
Gold Stocks (22)	86.3	86.3	86.5	86.0	85.1	84.7	85.9	85.1	82.7	103.5
Base Metals (3)	231.3	231.3	230.0	230.0	224.3	226.0	228.3	227.2	227.9	290.4
DOMINION OF CANADA LONG-TERM BOND PRICE INDEX	115.7	115.7	115.8	115.8	115.8	115.8	115.8	115.5	115.7	110.5
DOMINION OF CANADA LONG-TERM BOND YIELD INDEX	71.2	71.2	70.9	70.9	70.9	70.9	71.1	71.3	71.2	77.2
FOREIGN EXCHANGE QUOTATIONSx - NOON RATES AT MONTREAL										
+Sterling	4.4500	4.4500	4.4500	4.4500	4.4500	4.4500	4.4500	4.4500	4.4500	4.4500
+U.S. dollars	1.1050	1.1050	1.1050	1.1050	1.1050	1.1050	1.1050	1.1050	1.1050	1.1050
Brazil milreis - free rate	.0557	-	.0556	.0556	.0556	.0558	.0557	.0557	.0556	.0560
India rupee	.3359	.3359	.3359	.3359	.3359	.3359	.3359	.3359	.3359	.3367
Sweden krona	.2644	.2644	.2643	.2643	.2643	.2643	.2643	.2642	.2643	.2344
Japan yen	.2602	.2602	.2602	.2602	.2602	.2602	.2602	.2602	.2601	.2617
Australian pound	3.5760	3.5760	3.5760	3.5760	3.5760	3.5760	3.5760	3.5760	3.5760	3.5760
Argentine peso - free rate	.2609	-	.2602	.2605	.2603	.2603	.2604	.2576	.2579	.2605

x Bank of Canada. + Average of daily buying and selling rates by the Foreign Exchange Control Board. Since September 16, 1939, current buying and selling rates were: Sterling \$4.43 and \$4.47; U.S. funds \$1.10 and \$1.11.

MONTHLY INDEX NUMBERS OF DOMINION OF CANADA LONG-TERM BOND PRICES, 1932-1940.

(From data issued by A.E. Ames and Co. Ltd.)
(1926=100)

	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940
January	94.2	103.9	105.2	116.9	114.1	118.7	116.0	118.6	113.2
February	95.2	104.2	106.1	115.2	115.7	116.3	116.4	118.8	114.0
March	96.9	102.6	108.6	115.7	116.3	113.6	116.6	119.6	114.0
April	96.7	103.6	110.3	115.5	116.5	113.1	117.5	118.8	114.9
May	96.6	104.4	111.2	116.4	116.6	113.9	118.3	118.1	115.4
June	94.2	105.7	111.1	115.2	117.8	114.9	118.0	119.1	114.4
July	97.0	105.7	111.9	115.3	118.7	115.2	117.8	119.2	114.6
August	101.8	106.5	113.1	115.6	120.0	115.7	117.7	118.1	115.2
September	102.7	106.4	113.4	111.9	120.3	115.6	116.4	109.6	115.7
October	104.9	105.9	112.0	111.2	118.3	114.7	116.9	111.3	-
November	103.6	105.1	113.3	113.3	118.6	114.7	118.4	113.5	-
December	101.9	104.3	116.3	113.1	119.1	115.8	118.7	112.7	-

MONTHLY INDEX NUMBERS OF DOMINION OF CANADA LONG-TERM BOND YIELDS, 1932-1940.

	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940
January	112.4	97.9	94.9	73.6	76.6	67.8	71.5	67.4	74.4
February	111.5	97.5	93.6	76.2	74.6	71.3	71.0	67.5	73.4
March	109.0	99.0	88.6	74.9	73.6	75.6	70.4	66.3	73.4
April	109.1	97.8	85.5	75.2	73.3	76.5	69.3	67.5	72.4
May	109.1	96.7	84.0	74.0	72.6	75.3	68.2	68.4	71.8
June	112.3	94.9	83.8	76.1	70.5	73.8	68.6	67.0	73.0
July	108.7	94.9	82.4	75.7	68.7	73.3	68.9	66.8	72.8
August	101.0	94.0	80.3	75.1	66.6	72.6	69.2	68.1	72.0
September	100.1	94.1	79.8	81.2	66.0	72.5	70.6	78.3	71.3
October	97.3	94.9	81.6	81.9	69.1	74.0	70.0	76.5	-
November	98.2	95.2	80.1	78.0	68.1	73.7	68.1	74.0	-
December	100.6	96.0	74.6	78.5	67.2	72.0	67.7	75.1	-

MONTHLY INDEX NUMBERS OF PROVINCE OF ONTARIO REPRESENTATIVE BOND YIELDS, 1932-1940.

(From data issued by Wood, Gundy and Co. Ltd.)
(1926=100)

	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940
January	119.8	99.2	97.3	76.2	85.5	70.4	69.7	68.1	71.8
February	115.9	98.7	96.0	78.3	80.6	74.3	69.3	69.7	71.0
March	110.6	100.0	90.2	79.5	77.3	78.5	68.5	68.3	72.4
April	111.3	101.3	87.7	80.8	78.5	77.9	67.2	70.6	71.4
May	113.2	98.1	84.8	78.5	76.6	74.5	65.3	68.7	73.1
June	114.4	97.1	85.4	80.4	73.3	72.9	65.3	65.8	75.6
July	110.6	96.7	83.1	80.2	72.0	73.1	66.8	65.8	74.9
August	103.3	95.0	82.3	79.7	71.2	72.2	66.8	72.6	72.0
September	101.9	95.8	82.0	88.3	69.9	71.8	68.9	84.1	72.2
October	98.1	94.6	82.9	85.4	72.2	73.1	66.8	75.8	-
November	102.3	97.3	81.0	80.8	71.8	72.7	65.1	72.9	-
December	102.7	98.5	76.2	82.7	69.7	71.2	65.8	73.5	-

WEEKLY INDEX NUMBERS OF DOMINION OF CANADA LONG-TERM BONDS, 1940.^x

Date	Prices	Yields
August 1	114.9	72.4
8	114.9	72.4
15	115.0	72.2
22	115.3	71.9
29	115.5	71.5
September 5	115.7	71.2
12	115.7	71.2
19	115.7	71.3
26	115.6	71.4
October 3	115.5	71.3
10	115.8	71.1

^x Based upon an average of daily figures for the week ending on dates specified.



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