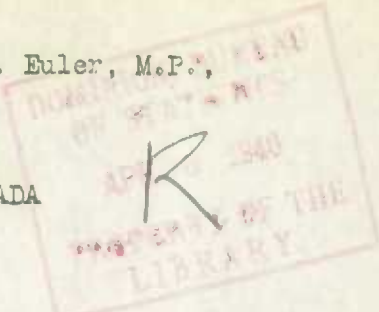


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SECURITY PRICES AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE, MARCH 29-APRIL 4  
(1926-100)

INDUSTRIAL AND UTILITY COMMON STOCK PRICES

The Investors' daily price index for 95 industrial, utility and bank common stocks moved gradually higher on moderate trading to close at 99.7 for a net gain of 1.5 points during the week ended April 4. All divisions of the composite index, with the exception of beverages and communication issues, shared in the advance. Gains were headed by a 4.8 p.c. increase in milling, followed by transportation, pulp and paper, machinery and equipment and power and traction. The industrial index mounted from 157.9 on March 28 to 160.2 on April 4. Utilities were up 0.9 to 47.6 and banks 0.5 to 84.4.

MINING STOCK PRICES

Canadian mining stocks were generally more active during the past week and the price index of twenty-five mining issues advanced 1.0 between March 28 and April 4 to close at 134.6. The upward movement in golds since March 16 was checked by moderate realizing in the first half of the week, but only minor recessions occurred. On April 2, a fractional gain of 0.4 carried the index to 97.7 where it remained stationary for the balance of the period. Base metals showed strength and the index recorded an increase of 2.3 p.c. to 287.7 on the final day of trading. At this level, the index was 0.4 below the recent high of March 7. The base metals index rose from 279.6 for the week ended March 28 to 283.8 for the week of April 4, while the gold index dropped from 98.1 to 97.7. The Bureau's general monthly average index for mining issues declined from 137.9 in February to 132.6 in March.

LONG-TERM BOND PRICES AND YIELDS

Following a pause in the preceding week, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics' index of Dominion of Canada long-term bond prices resumed its upward course in the week ending April 4 and rose from 114.1 for the week ending March 28 to 114.4. This was the highest point reached since the last week of August, and was 5.7 above the low of 108.7 for the week of September 14. In the corresponding week of last year the index stood at 119.1, or approximately 4 p.c. above the present level. Price changes were spotty and many of the long-term issues were unchanged. The index of yields declined from 73.3 to 72.9 during the week, which compared with 67.1 for a year ago. Provincials were featureless, with price changes small and mixed. British Consols closed without net change at 72 1/4, after rising to 73 3/8 on April 1, while the Dow-Jones average of high-grade United States bonds increased from 88.73 to 89.77.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

(Quotations are Montreal noon rates unless otherwise specified)

Official buying and selling rates for sterling and United States funds continued unchanged in terms of the Canadian dollar at \$4.43-\$4.47 for the former and \$1.10-\$1.11 for the latter during the week ended April 4. At New York sterling free market rates dropped 7¢ to \$3.53 on the opening day but subsequently stiffened to \$3.57 1/2 at the close for a net loss of 2 1/2¢ on the week. Since March 25 the use of 'free' sterling has been considerably reduced due to the imposition of further restrictions by the British Exchange Control Board. There was a firmer tone for Canadian funds during the same interval, rates rising 1 1/4¢ to 83¢ on the 4th. French francs at Montreal touched 2.22¢ on March 30 but later stiffened to 2.24¢ at the close for no net change. Among neutral European currencies, rates for the belga dropped 5 points to 18.90¢ between March 28 and April 4 while the Netherlands florin eased 2 points to 58.92¢. Following a mid-week drop to 25.70¢ the Argentine unofficial peso rate recovered to 25.81¢ at the close as against an opening level of 25.84¢.

## SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL PRICE FACTORS

Dates	1940						Weekly Average March 29- April 4	Preceding Weekly Average March 22-28	Corresponding Weekly Average Last Month	Weekly Average A Year Ago
	March		April							
	29	30	1	2	3	4				
INVESTORS' PRICE INDEX, 95 COMMON STOCKS	98.1	98.3	98.5	98.6	99.3	99.7	99.0	98.5	99.4	98.0
68 INDUSTRIALS	157.5	158.0	158.4	158.2	159.3	160.2	159.0	158.6	159.7	161.5
Machinery and Equipment (8)	135.0	136.3	135.5	134.9	137.3	137.3	136.5	133.6	133.9	114.7
Pulp and Paper (7)	22.4	22.8	22.9	22.7	23.0	23.3	23.0	22.5	23.2	12.0
Milling (3)	94.9	94.1	95.5	97.8	99.1	99.5	97.2	94.6	96.2	72.2
Oils (4)	155.7	156.4	157.2	157.7	158.1	157.1	157.4	155.3	155.8	167.8
Textiles and Clothing (10)	90.7	90.7	89.9	89.9	90.5	91.5	90.6	90.8	91.6	54.2
Food and Allied Products (12)	186.1	185.3	186.2	185.4	187.5	187.7	186.8	185.2	188.0	165.8
Beverages (7)	138.2	138.9	138.5	138.2	138.0	137.9	138.3	137.5	133.9	119.4
Building Materials (15)	145.8	146.4	146.5	146.1	147.8	148.3	147.4	145.3	147.4	122.7
Industrial Mines (2)	345.7	346.4	346.9	345.3	348.9	355.8	348.6	353.8	359.5	392.1
19 UTILITIES	46.8	46.8	46.9	47.2	47.6	47.6	47.3	46.8	47.2	42.3
Transportation (2)	19.9	19.9	20.1	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.2	19.4	19.9	10.0
Telephone & Telegraph (2)	125.4	126.2	125.4	125.6	125.6	124.8	125.5	125.9	126.6	129.9
Power and Traction (15)	60.5	60.4	60.5	60.9	61.8	61.9	61.3	61.0	61.2	59.3
8 BANKS	84.0	84.1	84.1	84.5	84.3	84.4	84.4	83.7	85.5	83.2
MINING STOCK PRICE INDEX, 25 STOCKS	133.4	133.0	133.3	133.4	134.1	134.6	133.6	133.3	134.3	145.1
Gold Stocks (22)	97.9	97.5	97.3	97.7	97.7	97.7	97.7	98.1	97.8	110.8
Base Metals (3)	281.2	280.7	282.8	281.6	285.7	287.7	283.8	279.6	286.0	286.8
DOMINION OF CANADA LONG-TERM BOND PRICE INDEX	114.3	114.3	114.3	114.3	114.5	114.5	114.4	114.1	113.9	119.1
DOMINION OF CANADA LONG-TERM BOND YIELD INDEX	73.0	73.0	73.0	73.0	72.8	72.8	72.9	73.3	73.5	67.1
FOREIGN EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS <sup>x</sup> - NOON RATES AT MONTREAL										
+Sterling	4.4500	4.4500	4.4500	4.4500	4.4500	4.4500	4.4500	4.4500	4.4500	4.6999
+U.S. dollars	1.1050	1.1050	1.1050	1.1050	1.1050	1.1050	1.1050	1.1050	1.1050	1.0041
French franc	.0225	.0222	.0224	.0225	.0224	.0224	.0224	.0227	.0246	.0266
Belgian belga	.1894	.1897	.1896	.1896	.1893	.1890	.1894	.1891	.1875	.1689
Netherlands florin	.5893	.5896	.5893	.5892	.5892	.5892	.5893	.5894	.5896	.5331
Japanese yen	.2602	.2602	.2602	.2602	.2602	.2602	.2602	.2602	.2602	.2739
Australian pound	3.5760	3.5760	3.5760	3.5760	3.5760	3.5760	3.5760	3.5760	3.5760	3.7599
Argentine peso - free rate	.2584	-	.2570	.2575	.2581	.2581	.2578	.2584	.2600	.2314

<sup>x</sup> Bank of Canada. <sup>+</sup>Since September 16, 1939, quotations used are the average of the daily buying and selling rate set by the Foreign Exchange Control Board. The current buying and selling rate for sterling is \$4.43 and \$4.47 and for U.S. funds \$1.10 and \$1.11.

EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS AT MONTREAL, 1939-1940

NOTE: The noon rates in Canadian Funds upon which these averages are based have been supplied by the Bank of Canada.

	New York Funds	London Sterling	France Franc	Belgium Belga	Italy Lira	Switzerland Franc	Netherlands Florin	Norway Krone	Sweden Krona	Denmark Krone	
1939	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
March	1.0041	4.7044	.0266	.1689	.0528	.2271	.5331	.2364	.2423	.2100	
April	1.0050	4.7038	.0266	.1692	.0529	.2254	.5341	.2363	.2423	.2100	
May	1.0036	4.6981	.0266	.1708	.0528	.2256	.5349	.2360	.2420	.2097	
June	1.0021	4.6923	.0266	.1704	.0527	.2259	.5328	.2358	.2416	.2094	
July	1.0015	4.6885	.0265	.1702	.0527	.2258	.5335	.2355	.2415	.2093	
August	1.0047	4.6327	.0263	.1704	.0528	.2268	.5374	.2342	.2407	.2082	
September	+1.0948	+4.4090	.0248	.1871	.0569	.2478	.5861	.2490	.2612	.2123	
October	+1.1050	+4.4500	.0252	.1858	.0561	.2491	.5837	.2520	.2642	.2142	
November	+1.1050	+4.4500	.0247	.1832	.0560	.2490	.5892	.2521	.2642	.2142	
December	+1.1050	+4.4500	.0247	.1841	.0560	.2490	.5895	.2521	.2642	.2143	
1940											
January	+1.1050	+4.4500	.0249	.1869	.0561	.2489	.5807	.2521	.2643	.2143	
February	+1.1050	+4.4500	.0249	.1872	.0561	.2489	.5809	.2521	.2643	.2144	
March	+1.1050	+4.4500	.0238	.1833	.0561	.2489	.5805	.2521	.2644	.2143	
	Spain Peseta	Mexico Peso	Argentine (Paper) Unofficial	Australia Pound	Brazil Milreis	Straits Settlement Dollar	India Rupee	China (Shanghai) Dollar	Japan Yen	Union of S. Africa Pound	New Zealand Pound
1939	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
March	-	.2011	.2316	3.7536	.0589	.5463	.3520	.1509	.2742	4.6986	3.7737
April	-	.2012	.2321	3.7531	.0588	.5456	.3514	.1512	.2742	4.6924	3.7782
May	.1105	.2010	.2321	3.7535	.0571	.5459	.3505	.1505	.2738	4.6863	3.7736
June	.1104	.2006	.2321	3.7539	x.0511	.5460	.3500	.1509	.2734	4.6806	3.7689
July	.1104	.1716	.2320	3.7508	x.0506	.5488	.3496	.1574	.2733	4.6768	3.7659
August	.1105	.1689	.2321	3.7062	x.0504	.5425	.3346	.0719	.2703	4.6211	3.7199
September	.1153	.2124	.2325	3.5292	x.0554	.5133	.3282	.0750	.2575	4.4080	3.5433
October	.1127	.2240	.2304	3.5760	x.0561	.5223	.3362	.0858	.2612	4.4728	3.5900
November	.1114	.2275	.2374	3.5760	x.0559	.5142	.3346	.0934	.2603	4.4600	3.5900
December	.1104	.2023	.2327	3.5730	x.0558	.5124	.3363	.0831	.2602	4.4600	3.5900
1940											
January	.1104	.1850	.2315	3.5760	x.0556	.5164	.3361	.0872	.2602	4.4600	3.5900
February	.1104	.1848	.2373	3.5760	x.0557	.5165	.3359	.0783	.2602	4.4600	3.5900
March	.1090	.1849	.2598	3.5760	x.0558	.5195	.3359	.0717	.2602	4.4600	3.5900

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USA	1982	1100	Millions	...	...	...
USA	1983	1150	Millions	...	...	...
USA	1984	1200	Millions	...	...	...
USA	1985	1250	Millions	...	...	...
USA	1986	1300	Millions	...	...	...
USA	1987	1350	Millions	...	...	...
USA	1988	1400	Millions	...	...	...
USA	1989	1450	Millions	...	...	...
USA	1990	1500	Millions	...	...	...
USA	1991	1550	Millions	...	...	...
USA	1992	1600	Millions	...	...	...
USA	1993	1650	Millions	...	...	...
USA	1994	1700	Millions	...	...	...
USA	1995	1750	Millions	...	...	...
USA	1996	1800	Millions	...	...	...
USA	1997	1850	Millions	...	...	...
USA	1998	1900	Millions	...	...	...
USA	1999	1950	Millions	...	...	...
USA	2000	2000	Millions	...	...	...
USA	2001	2050	Millions	...	...	...
USA	2002	2100	Millions	...	...	...
USA	2003	2150	Millions	...	...	...
USA	2004	2200	Millions	...	...	...
USA	2005	2250	Millions	...	...	...
USA	2006	2300	Millions	...	...	...
USA	2007	2350	Millions	...	...	...
USA	2008	2400	Millions	...	...	...
USA	2009	2450	Millions	...	...	...
USA	2010	2500	Millions	...	...	...
USA	2011	2550	Millions	...	...	...
USA	2012	2600	Millions	...	...	...
USA	2013	2650	Millions	...	...	...
USA	2014	2700	Millions	...	...	...
USA	2015	2750	Millions	...	...	...
USA	2016	2800	Millions	...	...	...
USA	2017	2850	Millions	...	...	...
USA	2018	2900	Millions	...	...	...
USA	2019	2950	Millions	...	...	...
USA	2020	3000	Millions	...	...	...