

GOSSIP OF THE STREET
WAR FINANCE CORPORATION
MEETS GENERAL APPROVAL
Bankers and Brokers Say Plan is Only One Feasible—Gossip of the Street

There is very little difference of opinion among financiers in Philadelphia as to Secretary McAdoo's plan for the organization of a \$500,000,000 corporation to extend financial assistance to industries which are considered essential to the war preparations.

There is not much sympathy to be found in financial circles here over the objections and criticisms which are being urged against the bill creating this corporation in Washington.

There has been a great deal of talk about possible inflation as a result of this measure, and some of our best newspaper economists have pointed out ways in which inflation might result.

PROVISIONS
The market for provisions is fair to good.

DAIRY PRODUCTS
The market for dairy products is fair to good.

POULTRY
The market for poultry is fair to good.

FRESH FRUITS
The market for fresh fruits is fair to good.

VEGETABLES
The market for vegetables is fair to good.

INCREASE FROM 1915 TO 1917

Table showing price increases from 1915 to 1917 for various commodities like wheat, corn, and flour.

DIVIDENDS DECLARED

Alex Rubber Company, usual quarterly of 1 1/2 per cent, payable March 15 to holders of record as of Feb. 15.

The first and most direct relief to the public utilities corporations can be given by the State public utilities commission and municipal and local authorities.

The continued and increasing efficiency of these corporations is important for the successful conduct of the war.

It is essential that forbearance and consideration be shown for the more promptly its burdens are accepted.

It is also permitted to make such additions as they may wish to their own funds.

The breaking down of these corporations would be a national calamity.

PHILADELPHIA MARKETS
GRAIN AND FLOUR
WHEAT—Receipts, 10,815 bushels.

Business Career of Peter Flint

A Story of Salesmanship by Harold Whitehead

Mr. Whitehead will answer your business questions on buying, selling, advertising and other matters.

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