EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER-PHILADELPHIA, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 1920

# \$35,000,000 The Texas Company

### Three-Year 7% Sinking Fund Gold Notes

Dated March 1, 1920

Due March 1, 1923

Callable as a whole, or by lot in amounts of not less than \$5,000,000, at 101 and interest at any time on 30 days' notice. Coupon Notes of \$1000 with provision for registration of principal. Interest payable March 1 and September 1. The Chase National Bank, New York, Trustee. Total authorized

The Texas Company is one of the largest corporations in the world engaged in the production, refining and distribution of petroleum and its products.

Security -These Notes will be the direct obligation of The Texas Company and, except for sundry obligations aggregating approximately \$4,200,000, will comprise its only funded debt upon the redemption of \$14,798,000 6% Debentures which the company has agreed to call for payment on July 1, 1920. Funds for this purpose will be deposited with the Trustee of these Notes simultaneously with their issue.

Market Equity \$250,000,000-The Texas Company's fully paid capital stock outstanding amounts to \$85,000,000, in addition to which the company is issuing \$45,000,000 stock, subscribed for by stockholders and employees in January, 1920, and which will be fully paid in July, 1920. At present quotations, this aggregate of \$130,000,000 stock will represent a market equity of approximately \$250,000,000. Dividends have been paid without interruption since incorporation in 1902, the present rate of 10% per annum having been paid since 1913.

The Trust Agreement under which these Notes are to be issued will provide that:

Semi-Annual Sinking Fund-Beginning September 1, 1920, the company shall provide a semi-annual sinking fund of \$2,500,000, to be applied by the Trustee on each interest date, on 30 days' notice, to the purchase of Notes tendered at not to exceed 100 and interest. On any semi-annual date when sufficient Notes are not tendered, the unexpended balance of the \$2,500,000 then available will revert to the company.

No Mortgage on Present Property-No mortgage shall be placed on any of the property of the company now owned or hereafter acquired, other than purchase money mortgages specifically secured upon properties hereafter acquired.

Quick Assets Always 150% of all Liabilities-The company shall at all times maintain quick assets, as defined in the Trust Agreement, to an amount equal to at least 150% of total liabilities, including these Notes and all other indebtedness.

Earnings 101/2 Times Interest-For the fiscal year ended December 31, 1919, the company reported net income, after all interest charges and provision for Federal Taxes, equivalent to over 101/2 times annual interest on this issue of Notes, and for the past 41/2 years average net income equal to nearly 91/2 times such interest.

Purposes of Issue-These Notes are issued in connection with the acquisition and development of additional producing properties, extensions to refineries, construction and purchase of steamships, laying of new pipe lines and installation of additional marketing facilities.

We offer the above Notes for delivery when, as, and if issued and received by us, subject to the approval of legal matters by our counsel.

#### Price 99 and Interest. To Net over 73/8%

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more than \$2,500,000 and absorbed 31.60 per cent of the earnings. Net earnings from operation were \$11,645,690.02. The fixed charges of \$0,929,813.22 deducted from that sum, left a surplus of \$1,715,876.80, com-pared with the surplus in 1918 of \$1,-534,816.38.

534,816.38. Carmen in this city, the report states, receiving a maximum rate of fifty-eight cents an hour, now average \$5.51 a day, contrasted with \$5 a day in Cleveland-and \$5.10 a day in Detroit.

Discussing improved service to the public, the report says: "Salesmanship is here demonstrated

by the efforts of motormen to pick up all the fares and by the alertness and courtesy of conductors who endeavor to make the car ride a more agreeable ex-

company revenues.

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Outlining the company's policy, the report states: "The policy of this management has been set against permitting the property to be used for private gain. The great-est good to the greatest number deter-mines every decision in the matter of service to the public. It matters not what particular person or interest bene-fits from the imposition of an unfair burden. The point is that the cost should not be made an added burden to the car-riding public." The company estimates that one bil-

car-riding public." The company estimates that one bil-lion passengers will be carried this year. Eight hundred and seventy-two million riders were carried last year. To give relief from taffic congestion the follow-Rearrangement of streets and traf-

fic with enforcement of traffic regula-tions to avoid unnecessary delay to

tions to avoid unnecessary delay to, street cars. "Uncorking the bottle neck of Mar-ket street traffic at Penn Square by resetting the tracks around City Hall plaza or operating cars directly through Market street passageway at City Hall. "Completing construction and equip-ment of Frankford L, so that it may be operated as part of the Market street system during the winter of 1920." **Transit Program Continued** Turning to the city's transit program the repost declared: "Originally estimated to cost \$63,-500,000, the city's transit program as now authorized is estimated to cost more than double that amount. These plans, if now carried out, would place Phila-delphia in like position with Boston, where up to this time over \$5,000,000 has been charged to general taxation to has been charged to general taxation to make up the loss in street railway operation. Ten-cent fares are there exacted.

"The city has been educated into the belief that its interest would be best served by such an arrangement as would ontemplate a commitment on the part of the company to operate all of the city lines hereafter to be constructed. The making of such an agreement on the part of the company, upon fair terms, should serve to stabilize the situation and remove the transit question from constant discussion and undue critt-

"If operated, however, as a part of the existing system and of a necessity largely supported by P. R. T.'s present and prospective earnings, such new lines and extensions as are undertaken should lanned, so as to supplement, extend and increase the carrying capacity of the present system. If this be done wisely and well, not much more than half of the amount now estimated as re-quired to complete the city's authorized ystem will be required to provide ade-uate accommodations."

#### Crucible Stock Dividend

Pittsburgh, March 17 .- The first im ortant stock dividend declaration since the decision of the United States su-preme Court that stock dividends are not taxable as income took place yesterday in Pittsburgh when directors of the Crucible Steel Co. declared a common stock dividend of 50 per cent, equal to \$12,500,000. At the same time the board declared the regular quarterly cash dividend of \$3 a share. Both distribu-tions are payable April 30 to sharehold-ers of record April 13.

New York

Liverpool Cotton Liverpool, March 17 .- There inquiry for spot cotton today, with easier on the basis of a de points for middling, at 28.17d sales were 4900 bales. were 25,000 bales, including 13,800 American, Futures were au early des.ings. Spot prices w loan, middling fair, 33.17d; diing, 20.17d; fully middlin middling, 28.17d; fow middlin good ordinary, 21.67d, and 20.67d. Futures were quiet

were steady on dividend hopes. Hesita-tion was noted in the oil group. Shell Transport sold for 10% and Mexican Eagles at 10 7-18. Gilt-edged investment issues were weaker. The foreign group was slow. Industrials were mixed. Generally, the undertone of securities lacked steadi-Broadway and Fifth Avenue at Madison Square

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