# AMERICA'S WORLD RESPONSIBILITIES

By H. J. HAAS

President American Bankers Association TE are in a changing world, with

many new financial problems for which we have no precedents, and many old prob-lems which have so changed as to be unrecognizable. American bankers have been called into world affairs to blaze new trails of unknown finance. We may expect these calls to be more nu-merous in the fu-

H. J. HAAS have in the past.
We are the
world's financial leader and we must
accept the responsibility which goes
with it.

Let us look to the future with congreat sorrow some time, perhaps so great we felt we could never overcome it, but time is the great healer and eventually we have come out of it. As it is with individuals, so it is with nations. Our nation has had much sorrow in the 155 years of its existence. In that time we have passed through the major depressions of 1837-1857-1873 to 1879-1884-1893-1896-

1907-1914-1921 and the present.

I venture to state that in each of these periods there were those who had doubts of the future just as we have them today, but what happened after each depression? Our country recovered, to be better and stronger than ever. Its people were introduced to modes of living they never dreamed of, until today, notwithstanding our depression, we live on the highest plane of any nation in the world. Should we not judge the future by past experience?

Surely our people are better pre-pared, financially and intellectually, to cope with even greater problems than they have been in the past, so why not look to the future confident that fundamental social and economic prob-lems will be adjusted satisfactorily?

Confidence is not established by any one thing but by an accumulation of things. If we can get confidence started on its way, gathering a little here and there, it will accelerate its speed as it any one man to perform but is the cumulative effort of each and every one of us. What we are in the future is not the result of what we have done on any one day but the result of all that we have done for all time. The American Bankers Association is endeavoring to do its part. Individually our efforts may not count for much, but they are part of the whole plan and taken in the aggregate they amount to the sum total of all our efforts.

# **PUBLIC INJURED** BY BANK GOSSIP

National Association Declares Community Interests Demand Protection Against Idle Rumors

ROTH in their advertising and in their direct contacts with customers and others, bankers should "consciously and persistently devote more time and thought to keeping the bank has many obligations toward its customers, equally is it true that the depositor also has certain obligations to the bank to enable it to prop erly maintain its position in the com munity," a recent statement of the American Bankers Assolution de-

"A bank admittedly is a semi-public institution and there is a mutuality of obligation resting upon both the banker and his customers to maintain the effective functioning of that institution that is superior to the personal interests of either," It says.

Bankers might well consciously devote greater effort to building up the public viewpoint in their communities that due to their public obligations and burden of public interest, the banks are entitled to protection against, ill-informed or malicious gos-sip and rumors, the statement says. "As to banks in some states, bank

nder laws afford this prote it points out. "We recommend that this protection be availed of by definite action wherever practical both as a matter of immediate expediency an also to awaken public opinion as to the dangers of idle gossip about a community's banking institutions."

Raid on Sheep Corral

Brings Dog Curfew Law
American Fork, Utah.—A dog curfew has been invoked in this little
Utah town. Every canine found on
the streets between 7 p. m. and 6 a.
m. runs the risk of being shot on
sight. The measure was taken after
a nocturnal raid on a corrat; in which
to make were killed or maimed.

#### ESTATE TAXES GO **BACK TO PHARAOHS**

Pennsylvania Official Reveals Old-Time Levees.

Harrisburg, Pa.—Inheritance taxes in ancient Egypt were higher than those which Pennsylvania now imposes on estates, according to Linn Reist, department of revenue official in charge of collecting the state tax.

"The Egyptian records of the Seventh century before Christ show that there was a transfer inheritance tax for the empire of the Nile valley. The rate was 10 per cent," Reist said.

"The Pennsylvania rate for wife or

"The Pennsylvania rate for wife or husband, parents, sons, daughters, grandchildren and all direct descend-ants is 2 cents on each dollar. Here is one tax which has been tremendous-ly reduced since the days of the Pha-raohs."

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Acust traced the history of inheritance taxes from Egypt to ancient Greece and thence into Rome in the time of the Caesars.

"In the year 6 A. D. Emperor Augustus persuaded the Roman senate to pass a 5 per cent inheritance tax much like Pennsylvania's. It allowed deductions for funeral expenses, as we do, and reckoned trusts and the computation of the value of like secondariation of like secondariation of the value of like secondariation of like secondariati computation of the value of like estates on the basis of capitalized in-

come," he said.
"On the death of a vassal in Europe in the Middle ages, the property reverted to the king for redistribution and later could be claimed by the heir within a year and a day on payment of a fee.

"Our own Pennsylvania law allows one year for the settlement of the tax before the interest penalty of 1 per cent a month is added."

#### America's First Metal Bridge Still in Use

-America's first metal bridge, built a century ago, still stands, according to the United States Army Recruiting News.

It was erected by army engineers

over Dunlop creek, near Brownsville, Pa., during the building of the old Cumberland road, also known as the national turnpike. It is of cast iron tubular construction.

For 83 years this bridge has been open to traffic. During the palmy days of the old Cumberland road stage coaches and Conestoga wagons rumcoaches and Conestoga wagons rumbled over it in a current stream. Then for half a century the old road was little used. Now an endless procession of automobiles and trucks races across the bridge at faster speeds and carrying greater loads than the designer dreamed of its being subjected to Yet, in addition to these tremendous live loads, the old structure is being subjected to a dead load consisting of two concrete sidewalks 5 feet 10 inches wide, together with the beams and wide, together with the beams and brackets supporting the walks, with-out arches or abutments.

### Scrubbing Floors as She Learns of Big Fortune

Rockford, Ill,—The unexpected news received that she is the sole surviving ir of an almost forgotten great-uncle. whose estate was once estimated at \$3,000,000 left Mrs. Albert Peterson,

forty, wife of a restaurant cook here dazed and speechless.

After recovering from the news which was brought to her as she was down on her knees, scrubbing the was down on her knees, scrubbing the floor of her three-room apartment over the restaurant, where her husband is employed, Mrs. Peterson said: "We're going to have a real good lime when we get the money. But ft's not going to make me one bit different than I am now. I'm just as common as an old shoe and I'm not going to change."

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According to word from New York attorneys, the Rockford woman will inherit the estate of Dr. Joseph Kel-logg, wealthy physician who died re-cently leaving no relatives, closer than Mrs. Peterson.

### World's Largest Magnet

Will Be Operated Soon Berkeley, Calif.—The largest electro-magnet ever devoted to research, and one of the four largest of any description in the world, will be in operation in the world, will be in operation in the world, will be in operation.

ation on the University of California campus by Christmas.

This was announced recently by Robert G. Sproul, president, following the return of Prof. E. O. Lawrence of

the return of Prof. E. O. Lawrence of the department of physics from New York, where he obtained financial as-sistance for the project from the Fed-eral Telegraph company, General Electric company, Chemical Founda-tion and Research corporation. With the magnet Professor Law-rence hopes to be able to study the nature of matter by transmitting one-element into another.

Cotton is Logal Tonder Rayville, La.—Cotton was used as legal tender to gain admission to the Richland Parish fair here.

#### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Historic Cemetery

Has Farmers' "Bee"

Milton, Ont.-About 30 farmers of the Hornby district held a bee and greatly improved St. Stephen's Angelican church cemetery. Hornby, by leveling the ground, removing dead trees and bushes and straightening tomb-

# HARD TIMES RENEW **BANKER'S OPTIMISM**

Former Bankers' Chief Finds Much in Past Year to Inspire Confidence in Financial Reliability

ROME C. STEPHENSON, retiring ors Association, declared in an address on the expiration of his term of office that, in travelling about among the banks from one end of the country to the other during the past year, he had "come out of it with a renewed faith in the strength of our banking structure and our banking situation, and a fenewed faith particularly in the spirit and courage of the men in the banks that have enabled them to rise unconquered over difficulties such as men never had to face before, or to accept with fortitude misfortunes that were beyond human power to prevent."

When he reflected, he said, that the "entire human economic structure has been brought to the verge of ruin un-der the difficulties that have swept over not only the nation but the entire world, and that the results of events of this kind react with particular di-rectness upon the stability of our banks, and yet how few have succumbed, we may well renew our confidence in the banks of America; when we think also of how many of our bankers have stood up under the stress and storms of these times and how relatively few of them have been proved wanting in the series of crises that have assailed them, we may well

feel a sincere pride in our fellow bank-ers." He added:

"So I come out of this year of som-ber experiences not as a pessimist, but as an optimist—as one with a renewed faith and condence in the spirit of his fellow men under overwhelming difficulties. And particularly do I come out of this year as a banker who is proud of his fellow bankers for the un-daunted way in which they have met their part of the great test through

#### Notice of Sale of Real Estate.

Under authority of a deed of trust alter, to the undersigned Louis C.
Allen, date. the 2nd day of May 1930, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Alamance County in Book of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust No. 114, at page 251 default having been made in the payment of the debt secured by said instrument, the undersigned will of-fer for sale to the highest bidder for cash, at the courthouse door in Graham, North Carolina, on

WED., DEC. 30th, 1931, at 12:00 o'clock, noon the following real estate:

Three Tracts of land in Faucette

Township, Alamance County: First Tract: Beginning at a rock corner with Robert Fitch: thence

South 13 1-2 deg. West 21.40 chs. to a stake in G. R. Maynard's line; thence North 86 1-4 deg. West with this line 15,30 chs. to a rock on the North bank of a ditch; thence North 5 deg: Bast 4.1r chs, to a line; thence North 11 1-2 deg. Bast 8.22 chs. to a line; thence North 29 deg. West 2.30 cha to a line; thence North 16 deg. East 3.44 chs. to a line; thence North 66 deg, East 2.95 chs, in the bottom thence 41 1-2 deg. Bast 2.76 chs. to 1 rock in Robert Fitch's line; thence South 80 deg. Rast 14.50 chs. to the more or less.

Second Tract: Tract joining Jordan Creek and beginning with a post oak corner with J. D. and J. H. King; thence S 6 1-2 deg. W. 19 chs. to a rock, G. R. Maynard's corner; thence 82 deg. 34 chs. 90 links to a post oak, the point of the beginnining, containing 74 and 1-6 acres, more or less.

Third Tract: Beginning at a rock corner with George Maynard; thence in a Northernly direction 175 yds. to a saw mill branch; thence along said branch as it meanders in an easterly direction 200 'yards to an iron stake in the public road; thence along said road South 225 yds. to an iron stake in the line of Jim Wai-ker; thence in a Westerly direction with the life of Jim Walker 190 yds. to the beginning, containing 8 acres more or less, being a tract of land carved out of the South-West corner of Tract No. 1, described in the deed recorded in Deed Book No. 79

The first and second tracts above 79 at Page No. 591.

This the 25th day of November.

at Page No. 801

LOUIS C. ALLEN,

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I believe that this year has brought new honor to our banking traditions and our banking profession and has won for the Banker new title to the faith and trust of all classes of his fellow citizens."

Careful and wise spending will help solve our economic problems and will be of untold benefit to the farmer. Our troubles are not caused by the spend-ing of money, but because it was spent unwisely.

### With Good Company

Anyone who chides one's self for being an easy mark when a book agent comes around can get a grain of com-fort from the fact that Abe Lincoln used to buy the wares of every book agent who came around.—Florida Times Union.

#### Bankers Help

Seven banks of Kennebec County, Maine, cooperated with the county grange, farm bureau, and local creamery, in financing the publication of a booklet, entitled, "The Agricultural Situation in Kennebec County." It presents in a concise manner the farm esources and practices of the county, with saggestions for improvement

Fresh fish from Boston is now being regularly delivered by plane in St. Louis.

The first public reception at the White House was given by Mrs. John Adams on January 1, 1801.

### Mortgagee's Re-Sale of Land!

Under and by virtue of the power contained in a certain mortgage deed executed by H. M. Ray to Mrs. Mamie R. Patterson, on the 20th day of September, 1921, to secure the payment of a bond therem mentioned, said bond and mortgage having been assigned to the undersigned, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Alamance County, in book 82 of MDs at page 449, default in the payment executed and delivered by A. D. thereof having been made, the undersigned will, on

> SATURDAY, DEC. 19th. 1931. sell for cash, at the Court House door in Graham, the following real estate, to-wit:

A tract of land in Graham Tow ship, Alamance County, N. C., adjoining the lands of W. J. Nicks. Jones Heirs, H. M. Holt. R. P. D Ray, the Heirs of H. M. (Ray, Sr., and others and containing 104 acres more or less. This is Home tract commodius dwelling, and through of late H. M. Ray, upon which is a which State Highway No. 54 passes just out side the corporate limits of Graham, but from which there has been sold in lots about 6 acres. as shown by deede daly of repord from H M Ray, Jr., to W. J. Ni.ks. W. H. Boswell. Whittemore and

Lewallen. Biddig will start at \$4200.00 Time of sale: 12:00, O'clock, M. December 19th, 1931.

Place of Sale; Court House door, Graham.

Terms of sale: Casn. This the 3rd day of December,

MRS. MAMIE R. PATTERSON, Mortgagee J. S. COOK, Assignee .

## Notice of Sale of Real Property.

Under and by virtue of a judgment of the Superior Court of Alamance County, made in an action therein pending entitled "J. M. thence North 86 1-2 deg. West 36 Storey, plaintiff, vs. W. B. Slade, chs. 20 links to a stake, Maynard's Administrator of W. E. Slade, and corner; thence North 13 1-2 deg. C. E. Kernodie, defendants", the Rast 21 chs. 40 links to a black oak; undersigned Commissioner will, on MONDAY, DEC. 7th, 1931,

at 12:00 o'clock, noon,

at the courthouse door in Graham, North Carolina, offer for sale, to the highest bidder for cash, that certain tract of land lying and being in Morton Township, Alamane County, North Carolina, and desscribed as follows:

On the waters of Buttermilk Creek, Leonard Rippy and others and bounded as follows, viz : Beginning at a hickory, Peter Gerringer's corner; thence N. 2 1-2 deg mortgage executed and delivered B. 11 chs. and 85 iks. to a rock; by J. T. Terrell and Bessie Terrell

193L LONG, Certificate of Dissolution undersigned will, on

To All to Whom These I resents May Come

To All to Whem These I resents May Come—Greeting:
Whereas, It appears to my satisfaction, by duly authenticated record of the proceedings for the voluntary dissolution thereof by the unanimous consent of all the stockhold radeposited in my office, that the Crotina Ray on Mills, Inc., a corporation of this State will use principal cffice is situated at Nc.—St., in the City of Burling on, County of Alamance, State of North Carolina (Fred C. Niederhauser being the agent therein and in charge thereof, uson whom process may be served), has complied with the requirements of Chapter 22. Consoliciated Statutes, entitled "Corporations," preliminary to the issuing of this Certificate of Dissolution:

Now, therefore, I, J. A. Hartness, Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify that the said corporation, did hereby certify that the said corporation, did hereby certify that the said corporation, did

of State of the Stat of North Carolina, do beenby certify that the said corporation, did on the 2nd day of Nov., 1831. Sie in my office a duly executed and attested consent in writing to the dissolution of said corporation, executed by all the stockholders thereof, which said consent and the record of the proceedings aforesaid are now on flie in my said office as provided by law.

In testimony whereof, I have hereto sot my hand and affixed my official seal at Raieigh, this 2nd day of Nov., A. D. 1931.

[Seal of state] J. A. HARTNES.

# Mortgagee's Sale!

Under and by virtue of the terms ontained in a certain mortgage deed, executed by J. M. Ingold and his wife, September 25, 1924, and recorded in the Office of Register of Deeds for Alamance County in book No. 83, at page 539, to secure the payment of a bond therein men-tioned, default having been made in the payment thereof, the undersigned mortgagee will sell to the highest bidder for cash, at the courthouse door in Graham, on

MONDAY, DEC. 14th, 1931,

the following real estate, to-wit Lying and being in Graham Town ship, Alamance County, and being lots numbered 39 and 10, as shown by plat of land formerly owned by Walker heirs, surveyed and platted by Paul King, which plat is recorded in book of plats No. 2, at page 14 in Office of Register of Deeds for Alamance County.

Time of Sale: 12:00 o'clock, noon December 14, 1931.

Place of Sale: Court House Door Graham, N. C.

Terms of Sale: Cash.

This sale will be held open for 10 days from date of sale for advance bids as required by law. This November 10, 1931.

E. L. THOMPSON, Mortgagee

J. S. Cook, Atty.

### Nortgagee's Sale of Real Property.

Under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain mortgage deed from James W. Baynes and wite, Sarah E. Baynes. to the undersigned mortgagee, dated March 22, 1927, and recorded in office Register, of Deeds, Alamance County, in Mortgage Deed Book 99. page 548, I will offer for sale at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, at the courthouse door in Graham, Alamance County, North Carolina, on

THURSDAY, DEC. 10, 1931, at 12.00 o'clock, M., the following described real property, to-wit:

A certain tract or parcel of land in Alamance County, State of North Carolina, adjoining the lands of W P. Donnell and bounded as follows

Beginning at an iron on the South Road on W. P. Donnel's line; thence his line S. 9 deg. W. 150 ft. to an iron; thence a new line N. 87 deg W. 100 ft. to an iron; thence a new line N. 9 deg. B. 150 ft. to an iron on the South side said road; thence with said road S. 87 deg. E. 100 ft. to the 1st station, containing .34 of an acre.

This sale is being made to satisfy the notes secured under the said mortgage deed, default having been made in the payment thereof.

This sale will be made subject to advance bids and confirmation by the Court, as provided by law. This November 10, 1931.

JOHN A. TROLINGER, Mortgagee.

J. Dolph Long, Atty.

#### NOTICE! Sale of Real Estate Undet Mortgage

Under and by virtue of a certain

thence N. 87 deg. W. 38 chs and his wife, to Stanley Craddock, dat-80 lks. to pointers by the road; ed September 12, 1928, and duly rethence with the road in a South- corded in the office of the Register eastern direction 14 chs. and 30 lks. of Deeds for Alamance County in to a stake in Gerringer's line; thence Book 105 of M. D., page 293, which S. 85 1-2 deg. R. with his line 32 chs. said mortgage deed and the note and so the to the beginning, con- thereby secured were duly assigned are known as Lots Nos. 2 and 3 in taining, by catimation, 43 acres, but by the mortgages to Commercial the deed recorded in Deed Book No. to be the same he there more or & Farmers Bank, whose business and assets are now in the hands of The the to day of November, the undersigned Commissioner Banks for liquidation, and default ONG, having been made in the payment Commissioner, of the note thereby secured, the

MONDAY, DEC. 7th, 1931.

at 12:00 o'clock, not

chains 10 links to a hickory; thence N. 13 chains 25 links to a stake; the lands of Joseph McAd S. 13 chains 20 links to the beginning, containing 49 1-2 acres, more or less. This is the identical tract of land allotted to Sarah F. Alber by commissioners in the division of the lands of Joseph McAdams, decid, and being lot number 4 in said report. Said report is duly recorded in the office of the Register of m the office of the Register of Deeds of Alamance County in Deed W. S. Coulter, Atty

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on Mill Creek; thence creek to a stake; thence 25 links to a reck; the chains 50 links to a will rock; thence S. 12 chains the beginning, containing more or less. This is the more or less. Hary tract as allotted to Mary and being lot number 5 in a port. Said report is duly re in the office of the Regis

Deeds of Alamance County in Book No. 8, page 489.

This 8th day of November STANLEY CRADDOCT GURNEY P. HOOD, Co

sioner of Banks, liquidating (

County Taxes for

Years Men

# Notice Of Foreclosure Suits For Taxe Instituted By F. W. Moore.

Third Advertisement. Name of Plaintiff. Name of Defendants.

Mrs. W. C. Johnston, Guy 1927 Taxes. Johnston, Leo Johnston, Lucin Johnston, Amos Johnston, Joe Johnston, Ruth Johnston, Bert

Johnston, Grace Johnston. J. L. Ireland, Sallie Ireland, 1927 Taxes, D. D. Sutton, Mortgagee.

Morene Martin, Betty Martin, 1927 Taxes, W H Burnett

Notice in each of the above entitled actions, by posting at d Courthouse door, has been given to all persons (other than the who are personally served in the above entitle actions), claiming any interest in the subject matter of any of the above entitled a to appear, present and defend their their claims. This is the gene advertisement of said notices and said notices describe the natural the respective actions above montioned and require all such pers as claim any interest in the subject matter of said respective act set up their claims within six (6) months from the date of the final pearance of this general advertisement of such notices, as required ? law, otherwise they shall be forever barred and foreclosed of any all interest or claims in or to any of the properties described in complaints in said actions, or the proceeds received from the cale any thereof.

This the 16th day of Nov., 1931

E. H. MURRAY, Clerk of the Superior Court.

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