Business Continues To Rise Generally, Further Gains Expected

SALES AT RETAIL 5 TO 14 PER CENT **ABOVE 1938 WEEK**

New York-Retail trade was somewhat improved last week over the preceding period and wholesalers reported a better volume of records, particularly for fall fashion merchandise, Dun & Bradstreet said in the weekly review of business.

"Major lines of retail merchandise were fairly consistent in showing increases over last year, but the amount of improvement varied widely," the agency said. "Grocery sales were only fractionally ahead of 1938 while automobile totals were as much as 30 to 50 per cent better. Gains in other types of goods lay between these two extremes."

The review estimated the increase in volume for the country per cent over a year ago.

Trade sentiment was "generally cheerful" on the wholesale fronts, the review said. "Although purchasing was still being done cautiously, there was evidence of more frequent departures from hand-to-mouth buying policies in favor of a two or three month covering of requirements."

St. Louis-The Research Divission of the National Retail Credit Association said today 11,748 retail stores in 34 cities had reported an average increase of 2 per cent in collections, 1.1 per cent in credit sales and 2.8 per cent in total sales in July as compared with the same month a year ago.

The increases were attributed to a general improvement in business in various parts of the United States and Canada. Small increases were noted by 24 cities in collections, 23 in credit sales and 26 in total sales.

Lancaster, Pa.—Better business may be expected during the remaining months of 1939, H. W. Prentis Jr., President of Armstrong Cork Co., said. He based his prediction on "recent gains in general economic activity and improved conditions in certain durable goods industries."

"The present relatively high level of residential building bids fair to continue. Consumer buying which has developed decided strength, show little or no signs of contracting in the near fu-



New York-Steel, back-bone 4-H Members of the capital goods industries, reinforced a summer business revival this week with another sharp boost in operating sche-

Rising hand in hand for weeks, the Associated Press weekly index of industrial activity and the steel production rate got back virtually to the peaks registered last autumn. The steel rate went 2 points from the previous week, in what seemed to some business observers a broadening of improvement in the vital machinemaking industries.

The advance in steel, partly in preparation for the motor industry's start on production of 1940 cars, more than offset a further decline in assembly of automo-

New York-Building contraction contracts awarded in the first seven 1939 months aggregated as a whole ranged from 5 to 14 \$1,999,247,000 in 37 eastern states, a jump of 30 per cent over the like 1938 period, F. W. Dodge

Residential contracts awarded in July, the company said, totaled \$2,566,000, a decline of 2 per cent under June, but a rise of

25 per cent ove Jruly last year. July nonresidential building was placed at \$88,501,000, a rise of 22 per cent over July a year

Attend Negro **Short Course**

A group of 4-H club members from various sections of the county are attending the annual Negro 4-H Short Course in Greensboro. The short course beto 62.1 per cent of capacity, up gan Monday and will run through Saturday.

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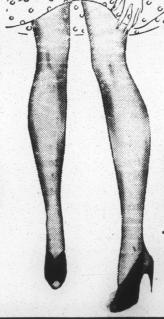


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