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### **Financial Bulletins**

CONS SMELTERS

Ore receipts at the Trail Smelter in he ten days ended March 31st totalled 15,547 tons, a decrease of 2,839 DR. G. R. LISTER QUEEN STREET :-: Below Regent Although the price of gold was con-

The Company is understood to be arrying out an extensive developnent program on its North Texas holdings where, in January of this year, a wildcat test well was brought No. 1 Green, is regarded as a promising discovery of another important oil field. While in production, the well is not considered completed as vet, and no further figures are available as to production rate other than preliminary figures of 26 bbls per hour, announced at the time the well ent policy is to test the field as a

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# Canadian Business Feels Effect Europe's Tension

out that since September it has be- umn of 1938, and business activity tical unsettlement in Europe is of the preceding winter season. world-wide influence, and the business world in general has been given latest international crisis. As else-Canada were effected adversely, though not to such an extent as to check centain progressive elements which have come into play to counteract those of a recessionary type be tween November and February, in which period general business activty on a seasonally adjusted basis delined by nearly 10 per cent. While this down-turn was disappointing, the fact should be kept in mind that it was due partly, if not mainly, to unusually unfavorable weather conditions. Moreover, the decline did not

whole. B. A. Oil holds 99% interest in a block of 11,200 acres in this field.

#### GATINEAU POWER

tons from receipts for the same per- come for 1938, was reported at \$1,- duction may have to be continued for iod in 1938. Total receipts from Janu- 949,602, after all charges equal to some time ahead. In the major lumary 1st were reported at 137,406 tons \$15,99 per share on the 121,960 shares bering area, British Columbia, the vs 153,345 tons a year ago. When of 5% perference stock outstanding, log cabin scale in the past quarter, considered in conjunction with the and after preferred dividend require- representative of foresty activities, lower avearge prices prevailing dur- ments, to 82c per common share, has greatly exceeded that of the like ng the period, first quarter produc- This compares with the 1937 net in- period of 1938 on account not only of ion figures indicate a decrease in come of \$1,641,767, or \$13.46 on the better weather conditions than preearnings as compared with the preferred and 63c per share on the vailed a year earlier, but also of an Thus, in addi- common. Without taking into con- improved demand in certain importtion to a decline of 11.7% in lead sideration the savings to be effected ant foreign markets. output, the average price for the per- in fixed charges as a result of the early spring construction program proposed refinancing, the net income than that of last year is reflected in Zinc production was down 17.4%, in 1938 was approximately \$12.42 a the new contracts awarded since with the average price lower by 5.5%. share on the combined 121,960 shares January, which were about 7 per cent of 5% preferred, and the proposed higher in value than in the first quarstant, bullion production at 11,007 ozs. nev ue of 35,000 shares of 51/2% ter of 1938. was 22% below 1938 output. Copper preferred. Revenue from the sale of prices showed a slight improvement power to the Ontario Hydro-Electric during the period over that of a year Commission increased from \$3,095,266 in 1937 to \$3,438,440 in 1938, and total operating revenues from \$8,554,927 section to \$8,683,718. After expenses, and with addition of other income of \$142 949 there was an amount of \$6,520,129 available for fixed charges. The amount of \$6,520,129 available for fixed charges. The amount available to meet fixed charges in 1938 was dale. Fla., a couple of hitch-hikers equal to 2.77 times the annual inter- thumbed hopefully as they displayed est, requirements of \$2,353,014 on the a large sign, "Atlanta." Which raises proposed new issue of \$.62,500,000 of the question: Why not require all 3% % first mortage bonds, and on the motorists to display signs indicating small amount of outstanding 5% pro- their destinations? You know-like

#### ASSOC. BREWERIES,

For the year ended December 31st. was brought in. The Company's pres- 1938 net profit was shown at \$446,176, equal to \$1.68 per share on the 231 preferred dividend requirements This compares with \$447,970 or \$1.72 per common share in the preceding twelvementh period. Net operating profit for the year is shown at \$634, 301 as compared with \$590,879 a year ago, while other income brought total revenue for the year to \$752,315 vs \$723,940. After all deductions, there was a surplus of \$99,443 carried forward to profit and loss account which now stands at \$899,785. Current assets are shown at \$1,165,158 against current liabilities at \$212,479, leaving a net working capital of \$952,679 vs \$926,355 a year ago. Inventories were about steady, and total assets now aggregate \$5,989,732. an increase of \$240,153 over 1937.

### PAYMASTER CONS.

Bullion production in March reached a new all time high at \$121,086 indicating an average recovery per ton of \$7.07 This compares with production of \$108.113 in February with an average of \$7.00 per ton, and \$118, 387 averaging \$8.03 for March 1938 Production in the first quarter of 1939 totalled \$348,643 averaging \$7.07 per ton vs \$343,663 averaging \$7.96 per ton in the corresponding 1938 quarter

#### CENTRAL PATRICIA:

Production for the three months ended March 31st, 1939 totalled \$422, 1698 giving an average return of \$15 .-24 per ton. This compares with \$436,-740 averaging \$16.43 per tor in the preceding quarter, and \$359,164 averaging \$16.05 per ton in the first quarter of 1938.

#### PENMANS LIMITED

Declared regular quarterly dividend of 75c on the common, payable May 15th to shareholders of record May 5th. The Company also declared the regular quarterly dividend of \$1.50 on the preferred payable May 1st to shareholders of record April

liscussing Canadian business, points corded between the spring and aut come increasingly evident that poli- was therefore slightly above that of

> Turning to the progressive elements of recent origin, we would point first to agricultural conditions, which though still unsatisfactory in various sections have generally assumed a more promising aspect, not only because of the comparatively large supply of farm products for marketing and the strength of live stock markets of recent months, but also because of the excellent preseason moisture conditions for the prairie crops. Mining in non-ferrous metal divisions slackened slightly in the early part of this year, but its prospects, as disclosed in another analysis in the current issue of the letter, are favourable

Most other departments of minng, notably gold, have shown height. ened activity. Readjustment in the central and eastern forest industries has proceeded to the extent that accumulated stocks have been greatly The Company's consolidated net in- reduced, although curtailment of pro-

> We attribute to these factors the recent steadiness in industrial operations, as evidenced in the following

#### HIKER HELPS

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3 To vex 4 Harmony

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