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NATIONAL LEAD

for Fiscal Year

December 31,



Principal Office
15 Exchange Place, Jersey

Executive Office
111 Broadway, New

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National Lead Company

15 Exchange Place, Jersey City, N. J.

**Report to be Presented to the Stockholders at their
Thirty-ninth Annual Meeting, April 16, 1931, for
the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1930**

To the Stockholders of National Lead Company:

The following consolidated Balance Sheet shows the condition of the Company on December 31, 1930:

ASSETS

Plant Investment	\$63,224,190.94
Less Depreciation and Depletion Reserves ..	25,280,944.52
Other Investments:	
U. S. Government Securities	\$ 3,161,465.79
Bonds	758,312.30
Stocks of Foreign Subsidiaries and Companies not entirely owned	15,161,168.53
Current Assets:	
*Inventories	\$17,437,173.66
Accounts Receivable	\$22,601,870.60
Less Bad Debt Reserve	295,556.20
Notes Receivable	22,306,314.40
Cash	2,259,848.89
	6,799,835.55
Total Assets	<u>\$8,803,172.50</u>
	<u>\$105,827,365.54</u>

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock:		Issued
Preferred—Class "A"	\$25,000,000	\$24,367,600
Preferred—Class "B"	25,000,000	10,327,700
Common	50,000,000	30,983,100
Employees Life Insurance Reserve		\$ 65,678,400.00
Fire Insurance Reserve		3,000,000.00
Employers' Liability Reserve		4,797,284.02
Plant Reserve		426,664.30
Promotion Reserve		2,500,000.00
Metal Reserve		1,500,000.00
Tax Reserve		1,000,000.00
Dividend Payable on Class "B" Preferred Stock, February 1, 1931		1,544,223.16
Accounts Payable, audited but not due		154,915.50
Surplus, December 31, 1930		3,763,236.75
Total Liabilities		<u>\$105,827,365.54</u>

*The present Normal Stocks of the Company are as follows:

Lead	94,133 short tons valued at \$0.034 per pound
Tin	156,134 short tons valued at .25 per pound
Antimony	11,955 short tons valued at .05 per pound

Stocks in excess of these normals are valued at cost of latest purchases to the requisite amount.

CONSOLIDATED EARNINGS STATEMENT

For the Year Ended December 31, 1930

Net Sales	\$76,712,337.47
Cost of Goods Sold	61,977,312.44
Gross Profit on Sales	\$14,735,025.03
Other Income	3,164,659.37
Total Gross Income	\$17,899,684.40
Administrative, selling and other expenses, including Taxes	\$11,535,015.11
Depreciation and Depletion	1,689,570.84
	13,224,585.95
Net Profit	<u>\$ 4,675,098.45</u>

ANALYSIS OF CONSOLIDATED SURPLUS

Surplus, December 31, 1929	\$21,591,585.36
Net Earnings for 1930, after deducting all Expenses, Re- serves, etc.	4,675,098.45
	<u>\$26,266,683.81</u>
Less Dividends Paid:	
Class "A" Preferred Stock at rate of 7%	\$1,705,732.00
Class "B" Preferred Stock at rate of 6%	464,746.50
Common Stock—Regular, at rate of 5%	1,549,155.00
Common Stock—Extra 3%	920,493.00
	<u>\$4,649,126.50</u>
Class "B" Preferred Dividend Payable Feb- ruary 1, 1931, at rate of 6%	154,915.50
Surplus, December 31, 1930	<u>\$21,462,641.81</u>

A comparison with the preceding year is given in the following statement:

ASSETS

	Dec. 31, 1930	Dec. 31, 1929	Increase	Decrease
*Plant Investm'ts	\$ 37,943,246.42	\$ 37,834,975.93	\$ 108,270.49	
Other Investm'ts	19,080,946.62	16,407,093.61	2,673,853.01	
Inventories	17,437,173.66	18,314,892.70		\$ 877,719.04
Acc'ts Receivable	22,306,314.40	28,873,775.55		6,567,461.15
Notes Receivable	2,259,848.89	1,602,887.31	656,961.58	
Cash	6,799,835.55	5,425,258.39	1,374,577.16	
Total Assets	\$105,827,365.54	\$108,458,883.49	\$4,813,662.24	\$7,445,180.19

*Net

LIABILITIES

	Dec. 31, 1930	Dec. 31, 1929	Increase	Decrease
Preferred Stock:				
Class "A" ...	24,367,600.00	24,367,600.00		
Class "B" ...	10,327,700.00	10,327,700.00		
Common Stock...	30,983,100.00	30,983,100.00		
Employees Life Insur. Reserve	3,000,000.00	3,000,000.00		
Fire Insurance Reserve	4,797,284.02	4,797,284.02		
Emp. Lia. Res...	426,664.30	426,664.30		
Plant Reserve...	2,500,000.00	2,500,000.00		
Promotion Res...	1,500,000.00	1,500,000.00		
Metal Reserve...	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00		
Tax Reserve...	1,544,223.16	2,089,425.36		\$ 545,202.20
Divs. Payable...	154,915.50	154,915.50		
Acc'ts Payable...	3,763,236.75	5,720,608.95		1,957,372.20
Surplus	21,462,641.81	21,591,585.36		128,943.55
Total Liab. ...	\$105,827,365.54	\$108,458,883.49		\$2,631,517.95

DETAIL OF PLANT INVESTMENT

	Dec. 31, 1930	Dec. 31, 1929	Increase	Decrease
Gross Property...	\$ 63,224,190.94	\$ 61,590,809.29	\$1,633,381.65	
Less Depreciation and Depletion Reserves	25,280,944.52	23,755,833.36	1,525,111.16	
Net Property	\$ 37,943,246.42	\$ 37,834,975.93	\$ 108,270.49	

The foregoing is a consolidated statement of the National Lead Company and all its domestic subsidiary companies in which it owns all of the capital stock, for the year ending December 31, 1930, following the form of and based upon the consolidated report for 1917 and subsequent years. The investments of the Company in foreign corporations and domestic corporations in which it does not own all of the capital stock appear in the foregoing report under the heading of *Other Investments*. Only the dividends received from them appear in the net earnings.

Business Conditions

Following the most prosperous year in the history of the Company, the business in 1930 showed large declines in tonnage in every department, as compared with the year 1929, as follows:

White Lead, in oil.....	31%
White Lead, dry.....	22%
Lead Oxides	28%
Linseed Oil	18%
Pipe Department	26%
Solder Department	22%
Sheet Lead	24%
Babbitt Metal	39%
Battery Metal	33%
Type Metal	9%
All Products (including above).....	24%

The decline in sales in all departments, although each department has a separate and distinct class of customers, indicates a common cause. The only thing that is common to all the industries that buy our products is "decreased consumption." We have reduced our prices of manufactured products as the prices of pig lead, pig tin and other metals have declined.

Future Prospects

We have reason to believe that during 1930 our customers have uniformly reduced their stocks of merchandise. Ordinarily

we would manufacture and sell what is consumed; the orders from our customers being in close keeping with their sales. We believe that during the year just closed our sales were affected not only by decreased consumption by the ultimate consumers, but by the decreased inventories carried by our customers. It is therefore a reasonable expectation that our customers' stocks being low, we will be called upon to supply all of our products that are consumed by the ultimate consumer, and that our immediate customers may (if times improve) increase their inventories, which would add to our sales.

Any other expression of our expectations or hopes would involve a discussion of world conditions and universal business troubles not within the province of this report.

Price of Metals

Normal Stocks

The market price of metals on December 31, 1929, and December 31, 1930, varied as follows:

	—1929—	—1930—	Normal Stock Value, Dec. 31/30
Lead	\$.0625 per pound	\$.0510 per pound	\$.0340 per pound
Tin	.3975 per pound	.2625 per pound	.25 per pound
Zinc	.0545 per pound	.04125 per pound	No Normal
Copper	.17775 per pound	.10275 per pound	No Normal
Antimony	.0850 per pound	.07125 per pound	.05 per pound

Inasmuch as the Normal Stock of tin has for many years been inventoried at 27½¢ per pound, it has been deemed proper to reduce the inventory price, for the purpose of Normal Stock, to 25¢ per pound; the loss resulting therefrom being a charge against net earnings for the year 1930. Since 1914 the Normal Stocks of lead have been valued at \$3.40 per hundred pounds, the lowest price reached that year. There seems to be no occasion, therefore, to change the value of lead for the purposes of the Normal Stock System.

Stockholders have heretofore been repeatedly advised that the Normal Stock System of valuing inventories avoids extreme fluctuations in the value of inventories that frequently result in fictitious and misleading reports of profits that are not made and

losses that are not suffered. Nothing in the Normal Stock System of valuing inventories precludes the management from increasing or decreasing at will the actual stocks of raw metal, metal in process or manufactured product.

When the management for any reason concludes to reduce inventories below the amount included in the Normal Stock, a reserve is automatically created in the inventory itself, sufficient to buy the amount of such deficiency at the market price on the date when the deficiency is created. If at a later date a fall in the market price enables the Company to buy such deficiency at a lower price, a profit results. Such a profit actually resulted in 1930. On the other hand, if the Company errs in reducing its inventories and at a later date a rising market price results in a loss, such loss would be a charge against profits. Such fluctuations are therefore of necessity minimized, and limited to the relatively small amount of the deficiency created.

Federal Taxes

In our reports to the Bureau of Internal Revenue for the purpose of taxation, the Normal Stock System of valuing inventories is not permitted. Therefore a loss, due to the decreased value at cost of its inventories, will be reflected in the report to the Bureau of Internal Revenue. The reserve for taxes is therefore larger than needed at present, but over a term of years will prove to be proper.

Foreign Corporations

It has been a consistent practice of the National Lead Company since its organization not to ask new enterprises or subsidiary corporations to declare their earnings in dividends until such time as they are firmly and safely established on an independent footing. Some of these companies were called upon during 1930 to declare dividends in excess of their actual earnings in that year, payable out of their accumulated surplus. In addition to the need of these reserves to secure uniformity of earnings, there was an important saving in taxes.

Investment Changes

During the year we bought all of the Preferred Stock and 60% of the Common Stock of the Morris P. Kirk & Sons, Inc., of Los Angeles, California, engaged in the purchase, treatment and sale of secondary metals. We also bought from the Evans-Wallower Lead Company of St. Louis, Missouri, its plant and physical assets located at Charleston, West Virginia, engaged in the manufacture of lead oxides using natural gas as a fuel. The Cinch Expansion Bolt & Engineering Company and the Williams-Harvey Corporation, both New York corporations, were dissolved; their assets being distributed to their several stockholders.

Conclusion

Every branch and subsidiary of the National Lead Company is showing increased efficiency. Without exception, they are discovering and eliminating the little wastes and bad practices that have grown up during the years of exceptional prosperity. Their morale is perfect. Their alertness and courage in resisting the depressing influences surrounding them is truly admirable.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD J. CORNISH,
President.

Stock Holdings in National Lead Company

December 31, 1930

	*Number of Holders	Stock Held Class B Preferred	Class A Preferred	Per Cent of Holders	Per Cent of Stock
Owners of 1000 shares or more	41	63,652	13,839	51,537	42 19.64
Owners of 500 and less than 1000 shares.....	62	21,635	4,850	12,022	.63 5.86
Owners of more than 100 and less than 500 shares	802	87,072	17,528	56,814	8.15 24.58
Owners of 100 shares.....	482	11,700	9,900	26,600	4.89 7.34
Owners of less than 100 shares	8,110	55,423	27,561	70,884	82.39 23.43
Corporations owning stock	347	70,349	29,599	25,819	3.52 19.15
Totals	9,844	309,831	103,277	243,676	100.00 100.00

Average Holdings Common Stock	84 Shares
Average Holdings Class B Preferred Stock.....	49 Shares
Average Holdings Class A Preferred Stock.....	56 Shares
Average Holdings All Stock	65 Shares

The number of women owning stock is as follows:

	*Number of Holders	Number of Shares	Avg. Holdings
Common	1,242	67,161	55 Shares
Preferred (Class B)	878	27,826	32 Shares
Preferred (Class A)	2,397	87,387	37 Shares
Total	4,517	182,374	40 Shares
Per Cent of Total Stockholders.....			45.89%
Per Cent of Outstanding Stock.....			27.77%

The number of accounts closed and opened during year 1930 was as follows:

	Total	Class B Preferred	Class A Preferred
Closed	2,158	1,008	533
Opened	2,615	1,641	506
			468

*Where the same person owns more than one class of stock, there is a duplication in the number of holders.

Directors

EDWARD F. BEALE,
Philadelphia, Pa.
W. C. BESCHORMAN,
New York, N. Y.
ALFRED H. BRODRICK,
Newton, Mass.
GEORGE O. CARPENTER,
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FRED M. CARTER,
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JAMES A. CASELTON,
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EDWARD J. CORNISH,
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GUSTAVE W. THOMPSON,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

W. H. CROFT,
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GRAFTON D. DORSEY,
St. Petersburg, Fla.
CHARLES E. FIELD,
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EVANS MCCARTY,
New York, N. Y.
FLETCHER W. ROCKWELL,
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HENRY G. SIDFORD,
Maplewood, N. J.
WILLIAM N. TAYLOR,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Executive Committee

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Executive Officers

President
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H. T. WARSHOW
Assistant Comptrollers
HARRY W. DICKERSON
EVANS MCCARTY
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Assistant Secretary
HENRY O. BATES
Treasurer
CHARLES SIMON
HENRY O. BATES

General Counsel

ALEXANDER & GREEN, 120 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

Departments

Advertising.....WM. KNUST, Manager
Flaxseed.....J. A. JOHANSEN, Manager
Insurance.....HAMLIN & CO., Managers
Laboratory.....G. W. THOMPSON, Chief Chemist
Manufacturing.....F. W. ROCKWELL, Production Manager
Metal.....A. B. HALL, Manager
Traffic.....D. R. NORRIS, Manager
Farm Lands.....NORRIS B. GREGG, Manager

Committees**Metal Committee**

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W. A. DAIL
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G. H. WORRALL

Manufacturing Committee

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G. W. THOMPSON

L. T. BEALE
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H. O. BATES, Secretary

Sales Committee

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R. L. HALLETT
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W. R. MELVILLE
S. F. REEVES
A. W. SCOTT
A. B. TIBBETS, Secretary

Pension Board

G. W. THOMPSON, Chairman
F. M. CARTER

F. W. ROCKWELL
M. D. COLE, Secretary

Stock Transfer Agent**Registrar of Stock**

THE CHASE NATIONAL BANK
11 Broad St., New York, N. Y.

BANKERS TRUST CO.
14 Wall St., New York, N. Y.

Branches

National Lead Company

ATLANTIC BRANCH,
H. G. SIDFORD } Managers,
E. T. MERRICK }

BALTIMORE BRANCH,
C. E. McPHAIL, Manager,

BUFFALO BRANCH,
W. E. MELVILLE, Manager,

CLEVELAND BRANCH,
C. C. FOERSTNER, Manager,

CINCINNATI BRANCH,
W. A. DAIL, Manager,

CHICAGO BRANCH,
CHARLES E. FIELD, Manager,
O. H. GREENE, Manager,

ST. LOUIS BRANCH,
J. A. CASELTON, Manager,

ST. LOUIS SMELTING & REFINING WORKS,
(CHICAGO) BRANCH,
E. W. BLATCHFORD CO.,
CHAS. N. RISLER, Manager,
E. W. BLATCHFORD CO. (NEW YORK) BRANCH,
JOHN J. NICKELS, Manager,

GIBSON & PRICE CO. BRANCH,
C. L. V. EVANS, Manager,

JOHN T. LEWIS & BROS. CO.,
EDWARD F. BEALE, President,

NATIONAL LEAD & OIL CO. OF PENNA.,
W. N. TAYLOR, President,

NATIONAL-BOSTON LEAD CO.,
A. H. BRODRICK, President,

NATIONAL LEAD CO. OF CALIFORNIA,
JAS. B. KEISTER, Vice-President,

NATIONAL LEAD CO. OF ARGENTINA,
M. L. SHOEMAKER, Vice-President,

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111 Broadway

Baltimore, Md.
214 Henrietta Street

Buffalo, N. Y.
116 Oak Street

Cleveland, Ohio
820 West Superior Avenue

Cincinnati, Ohio
659 Freeman Avenue

Chicago, Ill.
900 West Eighteenth Street

St. Louis, Mo.
722 Chestnut Street

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608 South Dearborn Street

New York, N. Y.
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Cleveland, Ohio
Sweetland Building

Philadelphia, Pa.
Widener Bldg., South Penn Square

Pittsburgh, Pa.
Commonwealth Bldg., 316 Fourth Avenue

Boston, Mass.
800 Albany Street

San Francisco, Cal.
2240 Twenty-fourth Street

Buenos Aires
Calle San Martin 235

Local Offices

National Lead Company

DALLAS, TEX.,
DETROIT, MICH.,
KANSAS CITY, MO.,
LOUISVILLE, KY.,
MILWAUKEE, WIS.,
NASHVILLE, TENN.,
NEW ORLEANS, LA.,
OMAHA, NEB.,
ST. PAUL, MINN.,

959 Terminal Street
Corner Howard and Tenth Streets
1406-1408 West Thirteenth Street
Starks Building
1534 S. First Street
303-305 Tenth Avenue, South
519 South Peters Street
2810 A Street
102 West Fairfield Avenue

National Lead Co. of California

LOS ANGELES, CAL.,
SEATTLE, WASH.,

932 Wilson Street
1020 First Avenue, South

**Corporations in which National Lead Company
Is Interested Through Ownership of All or
Part of the Capital Stock**

BAKER CASTOR OIL COMPANY,
F. C. MARSH, President
Manufacturers of Castor Oil
New York

CARTER WHITE LEAD COMPANY,
J. J. MORSMAN, President
White Lead Corroders
Chicago and Omaha

EVANS LEAD COMPANY,
R. M. EVANS, Vice-President and General Manager
Manufacturers of Lead Oxides
Charleston, W. Va.

GEORGIA LEAD COMPANY,
C. F. EVANS, Treasurer
Manufacturers of Sheet Lead, Pipe and Alloys
Atlanta

MORRIS P. KIRK & SON, INC.,
MORRIS P. KIRK, President
Manufacturers of Lead Alloys and Oxides
Los Angeles, Cal.

MAGNUS COMPANY, INCORPORATED,
W. H. CROFT, President
Brass Founders
New York

MIDWEST CARBIDE CORPORATION,
L. F. LOUTREL, Vice-President and General Manager
Manufacturers of Calcium Carbide
Keokuk, Iowa

NATIONAL LEAD COMPANY OF CANADA LTD.,
G. F. ALLEN, Vice-President
Toronto

THE CANADA METAL COMPANY, LTD., Toronto, Montreal, Winnipeg,
Vancouver

HOYT METAL COMPANY OF CANADA, LTD., Toronto

THE ROBERTSON LEAD MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LTD.,
Montreal, Winnipeg
Manufacturers of Lead Products, Brass and Bronze, Dross Smelters

NATIONAL PIGMENTS & CHEMICAL COMPANY,
EVANS McCARTY, President
Miners and Manufacturers of Barytes
St. Louis

NEWTON DIE CASTING CORPORATION,
W. G. NEWTON, President
Manufacturers of Pressure Die Castings
New Haven, Conn.

ST. LOUIS SMELTING & REFINING COMPANY,
J. A. CASELTON, 2nd Vice-President and Secretary
Miners, Smelters and Refiners of Lead
St. Louis

TITAN CO. A/S,
DR. G. JEBSEN, Managing Director
Manufacturers of Titanium Oxide Pigments
Fredrikstad, Norway

TITAN COMPANY INC.,
EVANS McCARTY, Vice-President, New York
DR. G. JEBSEN, Vice-President, Paris
TITANGESELLSCHAFT m. b. H., Leverkusen, Germany
SOCIETE INDUSTRIELLE DU TITANE, Paris, France
Manufacturers and Distributors of Titanium Oxide Pigments
Wilmington, Del.

TITANIUM PIGMENT COMPANY, INC.,
WILLIAM F. MEREDITH, President
Manufacturers of Titanium Oxide Pigments
New York

UNITED STATES CARTRIDGE COMPANY,
EVANS McCARTY, Vice-President
Manufacturers of Metallic and Sporting Ammunition
New York

Products Manufactured by National Lead Company

Painters' Materials

White Lead, Dry	Colors, Dry and in Oil
White Lead in Oil	Linseed Oil, American and Cal-
Red Lead, Dry	cutta, Raw, Boiled, Refined,
Red Lead in Oil	Varnishmakers'
Flatting Oil	Wall Primer

Bearing Metals

Babbitt Metals	Pressure Die Castings
Frary Metal	

Plumbers' Materials

Lead Pipe	Leadamant Pipe
Block Tin Pipe	Lead Traps and Bends
Tin-lined Pipe	Solder
Soldering Flux	

Printers' Metals

Linotype Metal	Stereotype Metal
Monotype Metal	Electrotype Metal

Canners' Materials

Bar Solder	Ribbon Solder
Wire Solder	Triangular Solder
Soldering Flux	

Lead Oxides

Red Lead	Rubbersmakers' Oxides
Litharge	Varnishmakers' Oxides
Orange Mineral	Enamelmakers' Oxides
Glassmakers' Oxides	Potters' Oxides
Colormakers' Oxides	Storage Battery Oxides

Miscellaneous Lead Products

Sheet Lead	Lead Wool
Glaziers' Lead	Lead Wire
Bar Lead	Lead Sash Weights
Antimonial Lead Products	Piano Key Leads
Lead Lined Valves	Cinch Expansion Bolts
Lead for Architectural Purposes	

General Products

Brown Sugar of Lead	Linseed Oil Cake and Meal
White Sugar of Lead	Castor Oil