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# WILSON & CO., INC., AND ITS SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 30, 1922

ASSETS	
<b>PROPERTY ACCOUNTS:</b>	
Plants and Equipment at sound values as shown by Appraisals....	\$44,993,742.21
Less—Mortgages payable and purchase money obligations....	508,625.00
	<u>\$44,485,117.21</u>
Trade Marks, Patents, Goodwill, etc.	11,219,695.69
	<u>\$55,704,812.90</u>
Investment in Affiliated Companies not Wholly Owned.....	10,790,018.39
Investment in South American Companies (Common Stock Wholly Owned) Including Net Current Assets of \$3,367,049.99.....	10,929,021.92
Merchandise, including Consignments, less Drafts drawn thereagainst .....	18,167,404.06
Accounts and Notes Receivable.....	13,775,971.57
U. S. Government and Miscellaneous Securities.....	304,984.03
Cash.....	5,758,880.02
Interest, Advertising, Insurance, Bond Discount and Expense, etc., Prepaid or Deferred.....	1,698,980.74
	<u>\$117,130,073.63</u>

LIABILITIES	
<b>CAPITAL STOCK:</b>	
Preferred:	
Authorized and Issued.....	\$12,000,000.00
Outstanding.....	\$10,323,600.00
Common (without par value):	
Authorized, 700,000 Shares	
Outstanding, 202,181 Shares. (exclusive of rights of stockholders to receive 319 shares on surrender of scrip certificates)	20,000,000.00
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<b>Bonded Indebtedness (in hands of Public):</b>	
First Mortgage 6%, due 1941	\$23,050,000.00
Convertible 6%, due 1928...	15,531,000.00
Convertible 7½%, due 1931.	9,647,000.00
	<u>48,228,000.00</u>
Accrued Interest on Bonds.....	724,873.75
Notes Payable.....	12,906,998.14
Accounts Payable and Other Liabilities.....	2,774,369.52
Reserves against Foreign Exchange, Bad Debts and Contingencies.....	3,740,825.62
<b>SURPLUS:</b>	
Balance at January 1, 1922....	\$ 7,129,432.76
Deduct:	
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Add:	
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## Accountants' Certificate

We have examined the books and accounts of Wilson & Co., Inc., and of its domestic subsidiary Companies, as well as those of its subsidiary Companies in South America, for the year ending December 30, 1922, and have had produced to us the audited statements of the remaining foreign subsidiary Companies. As a result of an appraisal of the more important domestic properties by Coats and Burchard Company and of certain of the foreign properties by local appraisers, these Property Accounts have been adjusted to sound values based on reproductive costs as of December 30, 1922, and the excess of \$14,267,232.72 over the book values has been credited to Surplus. The Net Current Assets included in Investment in South American Companies are stated at book values converted at standard rates of exchange, and we satisfied ourselves that the Exchange Reserve provided is sufficient to adjust such Current Assets to current rates of exchange as of December 30, 1922. We certify that the above Consolidated Balance Sheet embodying the Assets and Liabilities of subsidiary Companies (other than those of the South American Companies) and including the South American Companies and Affiliated Companies under Investments, in our opinion, shows the true financial position of the Companies at December 30, 1922, on the basis stated.

PRICE, WATERHOUSE & CO.,

Certified Public Accountants.

Chicago, March 6, 1923.























