a State tax of 15 cents on the market value, and provided interest is paid on such holdings.

The tax is not imposed on the following:

Non-dividend paying bonds of corporations and non-dividend paying shares of foreign corporations.

Shares of stock in Maryland corporations.

Ordinary mortgages.

Book accounts of merchants.

Savings accounts.

Money and credits.

State, county and municipal stocks issued by any public subdivision in Maryland.

The holdings of banks, trust companies, insurance companies and other corporations subject to assessment on shares.

Praise for the successful administration has been given for the result in Baltimore City, but the result in Baltimore County is quite as creditable. In 1897 the amount there was \$14,000,000. In 1902 this had increased to \$18,838,151, in 1907 to \$24,827,570, and in 1912 to \$43,099,285. In 1914 the amount of property in this classification reached \$49,792,083, and for 1915 was \$51,222,356. Appended herewith are figures showing the changes in assessment in Baltimore City and Baltimore County from 1896 to 1915.

It is interesting to know the percentage of increase of these two communities. In 1914 the per capita assessment in the city of

Note.—Assessment of interest-paying bonds, certificates of indebtedness, stocks of foreign corporations (subject to the 30-cent rate)—

IN BALTIMORE CITY					
1896	\$6,000,000	1903	\$94,336,562	1910	\$158,666,848
1897	58,703,795	1904	85,971,333	1911	
1898	60,699,686	1905	104,221,227	1912	179,412,676
1899	61,890,764	1906	120,423,814	1913	177,385,419
1900	65,789,903	1907	150,947,733	1914	191,970,999
1901	68,879,484	1908,	146,688,857	1915	208,431,712
1902	89,880,484	1909	148,234,110		
IN BALTIMORE COUNTY					
1896 Not available		1903	\$17,946,535	1910	\$34,528,280
1897	\$14 000 000	1904	20,649,574	1911	38,533,615
1000	14,768,460	1905	21,807,345	1912	43,099,285
4099	14,265,708	1906	23,248,190	1913	43,888,320
1900	14,452,568	1907	24,827,570	1914	49,792,083
1901	12,736,213	1908,	26,175,440	1915	51,222,356
1902	18,838,151	1909	29,806,605		