28 St. Andrew Square, Edinburgh, 2. 1st June 1960.

The Editor,

Dear Sir.

With reference to my letter of 2nd June 1959 (T.F.A., Volume 26, page 257) the Table herewith gives percentages invested in various classes of security as at 31st December 1959 by the ten Life Offices in respect of which similar figures were given in the Appendix to the late Mr. A. C. Murray's paper, "The Investment Policy of Life Assurance Offices" (T.F.A., Volume 16, page 263). The percentages as at 31st December 1958 are given for comparison.

Yours faithfully,

J. D. WILLIAMS.

PERCENTAGES OF TOTAL ASSETS OF TEN LIFE OFFICES INVESTED IN DIFFERENT CLASSES OF SECURITIES

		31 Dec. 1958 25:5
1. British Government Securities	$25 \cdot 3$	20.9
2. Commonwealth (other than U.K.) Government Securities	0∙8	0.9
3. Commonwealth (other than U.K.) Provincial Securities	0.0	0.0
4. Commonwealth (other than U.K.) Municipal		
Securities	0.0	0.1
	0.0	0.0
5. Foreign Municipal Securities	0.0	0.1
6. Foreign Government and Provincial Securities		
7. Debenture and Debenture Stocks	13.0	12.9
8. Preference and Guaranteed Stocks and Shares	8.2	8.4
9. Ordinary Stocks and Shares	27.4	26-4
10. Loans on Rates, Municipal and County Secur-	•	
ities and Public Boards—U.K.	2.8	2.6
11. Life Interests and Reversions and Loans thereon	1.5	1.7
12. Loans on Stocks and Shares	0.1	0.1
13. Loans on Policies within their surrender values	2.1	$2 \cdot 2$
14. Loans on Personal Security	0.0	0.0
1" Martin on Fersonal Security .		0.0
15. Mortgages on Property within the United	10.4	11.0
Kingdom		11.0
16. Mortgages on Property out of the United		
Kingdom	0.1	0.0
17. Rent Charges, Freehold and Leasehold ground	l	
rents, etc.	. 0.7	0⋅8
18. House Property	4.9	4.6
19. Cash, Deposits and Bank Balances	0.4	0.5
20. Miscellaneous	2.1	2.2
20. III.sconditious		
	100-0	100-0