extent of its market. Recent orders emanating from various foreign countries, in addition to the local market, have boomed production of aircraft to heights undreamed of a few short years ago. (Note: The effect of the recently started second World War on this market is not determinable at the present moment. Under the terms of the Neutrality Act, as it now reads, orders booked but unfilled are in the same category as future orders, insofar as classification of war materials is concerned. It is evident, at the moment, that if this Act remains unchanged unfilled orders on the books of local companies, which are considerably in excess of $50,000,000, will be automatically cancelled by the listing of purchasing countries as warring nations. There is considerable support for the belief that this Act will be modified to permit the cash sale of war materials which will free the blocked orders above mentioned).

The third industry group with an international market is the petroleum and petroleum products industry. Although the loss of China, Japan and Australia as customers after the discovery of rich Asian oil fields has limited the extent of the foreign market, nevertheless, substantial portions of South and Central America and Canada, as well as the American insular possessions of Hawaii and Alaska, remain.

(2) National Market.

The second market for Los Angeles manufactured goods is national and the principal products thus marketed include canned fish, fruits and vegetables, women's and misses' clothing and furniture. The latter two have come into prominence in recent years as an offshoot of the "Hollywood" influence. Of the three products specified the only extensively marketed products are the canned fish, fruits and vegetables.

(3) Western Market.

The third market comprises the Pacific Western area. The outstanding manufactured goods distributed through the western market are automobiles (from the Los Angeles assembly plants), automobile tires and tubes, and petroleum products. Centralization in Los Angeles of the automobile assembly plants and the tire manufacturing industry for the West Coast has made these two industries outstanding in the Los Angeles industrial area.

(4) Local Market.

The fourth market is, of course, the local market and virtually all manufactured goods produced in this area are for local consumption.

The stabilizing effect of the above markets is manifest, particularly the market for motion pictures, petroleum and petroleum products, which is sustained fairly well even during economic depressions.

E. PRINCIPAL EMPLOYERS IN PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

Principal employers in the leading manufacturing groups are the following:

(1) Motion Picture Studios.

This group includes every first line producing studio in the country; their total employment, exclusive of salaried officials and employees and projection room operators, afforded employment in 1937 to 16,398 workers. This does not entirely sum up the importance of this industry for, in addition to the workers included above, there are also some thousands of musicians, voice teachers, decorators, etc., who are parasitical to the motion picture industry and thrive thereon.

(2) Petroleum Industry.

Included in this area are many great national oil companies, such as, Standard Oil Company of California, Texas Company, Richfield, Shell, and others of lesser importance. No estimates are available on the numbers employed by these various organizations, but they run well into the thousands, exclusive of their refining workers, who totalled 4,360 in 1937.