

ANOTHER FALLING OFF IN GOLD HOLDINGS SHOWN IN BANK OF ENGLAND'S STATEMENT

MARKET TURNED WEAK;
SELLING PRESSURE BIG

Losses Ranged From One to
Three Points—Canadian Pa-
cific Lowest Since 1908.

NEW YORK, June 23.—More pronounced pressure was exerted against stocks on the exchange in the early session today than at any time in more than a month, and as a result in both lists, with one or two exceptions, advanced, there were heavy selling orders in force all around the room. Losses were the greatest in the industrials, or the war specialties, and while the standard issues met good support, they were sympathetically affected. On the whole, however, they held up very well in face of the large liquidating movement.

It was not hard to secure a reason for the selling of the war specialties, and among them were reports that the British Government would cancel orders for large amounts of steel and take explosive shells instead, and it was pointed out that manufacturers who were turning out munitions for the Russian Government were experiencing difficulty in getting paid in cash, so much so that many shipments are understood to have been canceled.

The acuteness of the foreign financial situation was also given as a reason for the selling, and there was also some liquidating from abroad, which was thought to come to some extent from England, for the purpose probably of recovering some of the losses of the new war loan. An inclination of the monetary conditions in England was furnished in the weekly statement of the Bank of England, which made a very poor showing. The gold holdings showed another falling off, as was the case last week, being \$2,332,000 smaller (\$11,000,000), while reserves fell \$66,000 to \$13,025,000. The rate of discount was 18.47 per cent, against 15.56 per cent. last week.

One of the weakest issues in the standard list was Canadian Pacific, the selling pressure against it being particularly large, resulting in a decline in the price of 3½ points before midday. Sales from abroad in this stock were said to be heavy. The low price today, 146¾, was the lowest since 1908. The only reason assigned for the decline was poor earnings, and some people were of the opinion that the dividend stood a good chance of being cut from the 10 per cent. basis. In the afternoon the stock dropped still further, showing a loss of 3½ points.

An improving tendency was shown in the industrials, prices moved up at noon. The betterments were not of lasting quality and a fresh outburst of selling carried stocks down to the low of the day. On the down turn Canadian Pacific and United States Rubber were the leaders. Rubber showed a loss of 7½ points. The company's directors meet for action on the dividend on next Wednesday, and the decline was thought to be due expected unfavorable action.

The Copper stocks were also weak, reflecting the lower price for copper in London. The list as a whole showed losses of from 1 to 3 points around 2 p.m. While the market closed weak, it recovered somewhat from the low.

Railroad earnings which came out during the day were divided between good and bad. Lehigh Valley showed up good in May, the gross being \$98,556 larger and net \$11,433; 11 months' gross was \$45,882 above last year and the net \$37,659. This served to keep the stock fairly steady throughout the day. Union Pacific, on the other hand, gave a very poor showing. May gross falling \$10,869 to \$22,657; 11 months' gross \$5,193,647 and net \$11,72,332 smaller. Southern Pacific, the other Harriman road, while it had a decrease in gross, turned this into a net increase of \$140,900.

NEW YORK CURB

Bid, Asked.
American Zinc 51 51½
British-American Tobacco 7 7
British-American Tobacco Co. 16 16½
Goldfield Consolidated 7 7½
Krantz Copper 31 31½
Le Rose 12 12½
Linden Valley Coal Stock 100 100
Nipissing 7 7½
Hick-Hegeman 7 7½
Bellring Gum 3 3½
Gulf Oil Co. 100 100
St. Louis & S. P. 1st pref 12 12½
Tobacco Co. 100 100
Seaboard Air Line 14½ 14½
Sears Ros & Co. 137½ 137½
Southern Pacific 88½ 88½
So Railway 100 100
Standard Milling 53 53½
Studebaker Co. 70 70
Quicksilver 23 24 24½ 25
First Branch Bank Established

WASHINGTON, June 24.—The Federal Reserve Board today established at New Orleans a branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta. This is the fourth branch of the new clearing firm with new gains of 4 to 10 points. The list is now as follows: Today's list: Prices followed yesterday's.

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total sales, 61,500 bags.

COTTON

NEW YORK, June 24.—On the call this morning, the cotton market was steady, July declined three points, but other options moved up a point. There was further buying of July by spot interests, with longs and traders taking the future months, while Wall Street houses sold. The weather map was favorable. Private cables from Liverpool said that a continued high demand for the spot article was the feature there.

In the afternoon prices sagged a trifle further, the close showing declines of 4 to 6 points excepting March, which ended the day with a 2-point gain.

Yesterday's Close, Open, High, Low, Close.

October 9.00 9.02 9.02 8.92 9.75
December 10.05 10.06 10.05 9.99 10.03
January 10.30 10.34 10.34 10.32 10.32
March 9.60 9.63 9.63 9.60 9.63

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