

FINANCIAL NEWS

VIGOROUS BUYING OF WAR STOCKS SENT THEM UP FOUR TO SEVEN POINTS

Reports Current of a Merger of Bethlehem and Crucible. Minor Steel Shares Also Given a Boost—Strong Interests Bought Pressed Steel Car

The uneasiness which was created in yesterday's late trading by the Mexican outrages disappeared over night. There was no pressure of stock in evidence, but instead a vigorous demand appeared from many sources, with outside buying in evidence in many issues.

During the afternoon the buying of many of the war-order stocks became more vigorous, and violent advances in these issues recalled the spectacular movements noted in the same stocks last year. Many of these issues made gains ranging from four to seven points, and dealings in them were on an unusually large scale. The extreme advance was made in Bethlehem Steel, which rose 25 points.

The room connected this display of strength with the persistent buying in Crucible Steel, which rose more than seven points, crossing 67. Reports were current of a merger of the two properties, although when that was suggested before it was understood that fears of litigation prevented its consummation. In some quarters an idea prevailed that this activity in the war-order stocks indicated a period of trading similar to that of several months ago.

The minor steel industrials were also in vigorous demand, and many of these stocks made gains of 2 to 3 points. Pressed Steel Car was bought by strong interests. American Can reflected continued accumulation.

Application to List Kennecott to Be Made Soon

It is understood that within the next month application will be made to the New York Stock Exchange for the listing of shares of the Kennecott Copper Corporation now being traded in on the New York curb. There has been considerable talk in recent months regarding the listing of this company's stock on the exchange, but the time is now regarded as about ripe for such action. Within a short time, it is stated, the directors of the Kennecott will meet to take action on the dividend.

American Telephone Sells Notes

J. P. Morgan & Co. has purchased from the American Telephone and Telegraph Company \$50,000,000 4 1/2 per cent. two-year notes. Some of the notes are a direct obligation of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company and others are obligations of its subsidiary companies, indorsed and guaranteed by the American Telephone Company.

It is understood that virtually all of these notes have been retained by the Morgan firm and their associates as an investment, and will not be offered to the public.

Some Special Development Expected in New York Central

An impression prevails on the Street that some special development is afoot at hand in the New York Central outside of an expected dividend increase at the March meeting, and it was asserted in some quarters that a statement in regard to this matter may be made in a short time.

NEW YORK STOCK SALES

Table of New York Stock Sales with columns for Last Close, High, Low, Close, and various stock symbols like Adams Express, Alaska Juneau, etc.

New York Bond Sales

Table of New York Bond Sales with columns for High, Low, Close, and various bond symbols like 4000 Amer Agr Deb, 25000 Amer Tel & Tel, etc.

CURB MODERATELY ACTIVE

Good Demand for International Nickel Shares. NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—Speculation in the market for outside securities today was moderately active and while some irregularity developed in the early trading the general undertone was strong.

There was an especially good demand for International Nickel, when issued, which moved up 1 1/2 in sympathy with the strength of the company's stock in the stock market. Marine shares were also conspicuous by their strength on a better buying movement on the more favorable outlook for the reorganization.

Sales in Philadelphia

Table of Sales in Philadelphia with columns for High, Low, Close, and various stock symbols like 100 Am Gas, 100 Am Ry, etc.

NORTHERN TRUST COMPANY

SIXTH AND SPRING GARDEN PHILADELPHIA INCORPORATED 1871

FORTY-FOURTH ANNUAL STATEMENT

Table of Northern Trust Company's 44th Annual Statement showing Assets, Liabilities, and Deposits.

The undersigned Auditors, "none of whom is a Director, Officer or Stockholder," as provided by the Charter of Incorporation, having been duly appointed to audit the Accounts and Assets of the "NORTHERN TRUST COMPANY" for the year 1915, do hereby certify that they have personally examined and verified the Assets enumerated in the foregoing Statement and found them correctly stated and in accord with the books and balance sheets of said Company.

William M. Stewart, Jr., George T. Moxey, Alfred R. Wigan, Auditors

Total Trust Funds, \$11,781,692.22. NOTE—This amount does not include corporation mortgages nor trusts of municipal securities, amounting to \$16,522,000, held by the company as depository and trustee.

W. FREDERICK SNYDER, President.

The Best Preferred Stocks

in the Public Utility field are so well safeguarded that they can be considered almost as conservative as the average bond. Those who wish the maximum income from good investments should consider placing at least part of their funds in Public Utility Preferred Stocks.

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1034 REAL ESTATE TRUST BUILDING

\$1,000,000 Crew Levick Company

7% Cumulative Preferred Stock Preferred as to Assets, Dividends and Sinking Fund

Authorized, \$1,500,000 - Issued, \$1,000,000 Redeemable as a whole at 115 per share and accumulated Dividends

Dividends payable January, April, July and October 1st Trustee of the Sinking Fund, Commercial Trust Company, Philadelphia

Free of Pennsylvania State Tax Application will be made to list this issue on the Philadelphia Stock Exchange.

THE QUAKER CITY NATIONAL BANK

At the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of this Bank, held January 11th, 1916, the following gentlemen were elected Directors for the ensuing year:

THE CENTRAL NATIONAL BANK OF PHILADELPHIA

At the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of this Bank, held January 11th, 1916, the following gentlemen were elected Directors for the ensuing year:

THE BANK OF NORTH AMERICA

At the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of this Bank, held January 11th, 1916, the following gentlemen were elected Directors for the ensuing year:

THE BANK OF PENNSYLVANIA

At the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of this Bank, held January 11th, 1916, the following gentlemen were elected Directors for the ensuing year:

MINING STOCK QUOTATIONS

Table of Mining Stock Quotations with columns for High, Low, Close, and various stock symbols like Anaconda, Bunker Hill, etc.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—The foreign exchange market opened steady today with but slight changes in rates from last night's level. Demand sterling was quoted at \$4.76 1/2 and cables \$4.71 1/2.

RATES FOR MONEY

Table of Rates for Money with columns for Call, Time, and various bank names like New York, Philadelphia, etc.

BANK CLEARINGS

Bank clearings today compared with corresponding day last year were: Philadelphia, \$1,200,000,000; New York, \$1,500,000,000; Boston, \$1,000,000,000; Chicago, \$800,000,000.

BAR SILVER

LONDON, Jan. 14.—The quotation for commercial bar silver advanced 1-16 to 27 1/2 pence today. New York silver was quoted at 57 cents.

McALLISTER MADE CHAIRMAN

President of Franklin Bank Heads Clearing House Committee. The Clearing House Committee of the Philadelphia Clearing House Association, which was elected last Monday, met today and elected J. R. McAllister, president of the Franklin National Bank, chairman of the committee.

LIVE STOCK QUOTATIONS

Table of Live Stock Quotations with columns for High, Low, Close, and various stock symbols like Chicago, St. Louis, etc.

Bombay Discount Rate

LONDON, Jan. 14.—The rate of discount of the Bank of Bombay was today raised from 7 to 8 per cent.

Sound Investments

Pennsylvania R.R. Co. Cons. (now 1st) 4% Bonds Due May, 1943 Price on Application

FRAZIER & CO. Bankers

122 S. 15th St. DIRECTOR OF ACCOUNTANTS Certified Public Accountants LAWRENCE E. BROWN & CO. 1615 REAL ESTATE TRUST BUILDING

SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE MECHANICAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA

OFFICE, Nos. 500 and 502 WALNUT STREET (Company's Building) Philadelphia, January 1, 1916.

ASSETS

Table of Assets including Bonds and Mortgages, Real Estate, Cash in banks, etc.

LIABILITIES

Table of Liabilities including Cash Capital, Reserve for reinsurance, Reserve for outstanding losses, etc.

NET SURPLUS

Table of Net Surplus showing Surplus as to Policy Holders and Surplus as to Shareholders.

EDWARD B. SMITH & CO. BANKERS ESTABLISHED 1822

1200 Arch Street, PHILADELPHIA

SIMON J. MARTIN, President JOHN A. SNYDER, Secretary

Advice Individual or General

For a general review and forecast of business and finance our monthly Review of Financial AND Trade Conditions furnishes all essential factors.

Individual advice is of greater importance to those owning securities or contemplating investment.

We therefore invite inquiry on all individual financial matters.

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