

FINANCIAL NEWS

GENERAL ADVANCES ARE IN ORDER AS TRADING ENDS IN WALL STREET

Banks Discriminate in Making Loans—Money Eases Up After Publication of President's Message—Document Is Favorably Construed

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—After a period of uncertainty during the greater part of the day, when the market was further influenced by the repression of speculation resulting from the curtailment of banking accommodations, a recovery started and general advances were in order in the final dealings.

The money tension apparently reached its climax with the calling in of more than \$70,000,000 loans yesterday, when the call money rate advanced to as high as 15 per cent. This morning many banks went to the trouble of asking customers how much money they required and provided a large part of the street with funds at 6 per cent, besides making general renewals also at 6 per cent.

On the Stock Exchange, however, the money situation continued stringent for a good part of the day and a number of borrowers who sought banking accommodations direct from the officials were told that these banks had no money to lend to them.

This, of course, indicated discrimination, but there is good ground for the statement that this discrimination was not exerted against any class of securities, but against those borrowers who were known to be affiliated and concerned in bullish operations in wheat.

Apparently, yesterday's contraction of loans and this morning's discrimination effected their full purpose. After call money on the Exchange loaned at 9 per cent there was a free supply at 7 per cent, and nearly all the loans were made at 6 per cent. This reduction and the easing off in the money situation came just after the publication of the President's message. That document was favorably construed by all those who devoted attention to it, but it was a little while after its publication before the market response came.

Apparently, too many interests had been impaired by the money developments of the last two weeks and some of these interests deemed it wise to reduce their long lines without regard to whether financial accommodation could be obtained or not.

The Street appreciated the changes in the political and financial positions and hurriedly reacting occurred on all parts of the room, United States Steel common, after selling at 12 1/2, rose to 12 3/4, showing a gain of more than 1 point. Reading, after its previous advances and retractions, again moved up to above 111 and United Pacific moved in the same way.

The low-priced railroad stocks were also in brisk demand in the last hour of trading, and there was a revival of activity in many of the war-order issues, with Crucible Steel making a gain of about 3 points to 87 1/2. Atlantic, Gulf and West Indies, which sold at 10 1/2, advanced to 12 1/2. Barrett & Co., formerly American Coal Products stock, advanced more than 4 points to above 167.

\$7,800,000 Gold Comes From Canada

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—Gold to the amount of \$7,800,000 has been received at the Assay Office to the credit of J. P. Morgan & Co. The gold came from Canada.

NEW YORK STOCK SALES

Table listing various stocks such as Adv Rumely, Anaconda, Alaska, Am Locomotive, etc., with columns for Last, High, Low, and Close prices.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—The cotton market this morning responded to a sharp break in Liverpool with initial declines of from 18 to 23 points. The early tone was easy.

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MANY GOOD GAINS IN CURB TRADING

Atlantic Refining Attracts Most Interest, Reaching New High Top of \$1000

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—The Broad Street Curb market broke away from the influence of the money tension which restricted operations on the Stock Exchange and many issues dealt in there made substantial gains during the day. The reorganized railroads were among the strongest features.

Rock Island common rose from 17 1/2 to 47 and the B preferred ranged from 2 1/2 to 7 1/2, and the Wabash-Pittsburgh stock sold at 2 1/2.

The oil stocks forced themselves into public interest because of the vigorous advance in the Standard Oil issues. Most interest was attached to the trading of Atlantic Refining, which has been steadily advancing, and today sold at the new high record of \$1000 a share.

Standard Oil of New Jersey sold at \$50, Standard Oil of New York 22 1/2 and Ohio Oil at 3 1/2. Prairie Oil advanced from 4 1/2 to 6 1/2.

Some independent oil stocks were also strong, with Caccium Oil selling at 1 1/2, Oklahoma Producing and Refining at 1 1/2, Barnett Oil and Gas at 3 1/2 and Houston Oil at 2 1/2.

Some of the mining stocks were strong. Copper stock of New Jersey being actively traded in at from 2 1/2 to 2 3/4. Dundee Arizona sold at 2 1/2.

Table listing various industries such as Am. Explosives, American Mach. & Tool, Canadian Car, etc., with columns for Bid, Asked, and Last prices.

Sales in Philadelphia

Table listing various stocks such as 300 Am Loco., 1 Am Loco., 1 Am Loco., etc., with columns for High, Low, and Close prices.

LOCAL STOCK BUSINESS ON SMALL SCALE, WITH NARROW PRICE CHANGES

Lake Superior Is Most Active, but Declines—Cramp Shipbuilding Advances Three Points, and Buffalo and Susquehanna Gets to New Top Mark

It was a decidedly inactivity day on the Philadelphia Stock Exchange. At no time during the day was there any demand to speak of for any security, and consequently, the transactions did not mount large for the full season. For the most part, traders adopted a waiting attitude.

The fact that the President's message to Congress came out in the afternoon restricting transactions during the morning to some extent, and in the afternoon local interests watched New York to see what the big board would do.

As far as transactions were concerned, they were the largest in Lake Superior Corporation stock. The stock moved over a decidedly narrow range throughout the whole session, this being mostly true of the whole market. There were some few exceptions, but they were of little importance.

Lake Superior started with a small gain, but the improvement was clipped off in the afternoon, and the day closed with a small decline. During the morning Philadelphia Rapid Transit certificates got up to 2 1/2, which equals the high price of 1913.

This was not an indicator of the market, however, as the high was made on one share. After this the issue declined below the final of yesterday and stayed there to the close. It was the most active of the home issues next to Lake Superior.

It required only a few transactions in order to move Buffalo and Susquehanna common to a new high mark. The former rose a point, to 72. Cramp Shipbuilding gained 3 points and a new top for the year, and Reading gained 1 point. With these advances were made, there was a decline in American Gas of 2 points, to 2 1/2. Except for a short while in the morning, Lehigh Navigation held below the final of yesterday. There was nothing much in the bond division.

LIVE STOCK QUOTATIONS

Table listing various live stock such as CATTLE—Receipts, 8000; Market, 3 1/2; Hogs, 1500; Market, 10 1/2; Sheep, 1000; Market, 10 1/2.

Sugar Futures Steady

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—The market for sugar futures opened steady, unchanged to a decline of 3 points, with sales of the call amounting to 1200 tons. The recent support of the new crop position of large Cuban interests was thought to be hedging against the large sales of Cuban. On the call, Wall street was a seller, with the support scattering.

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Initial Dividend for Iron Cap Copper

BOSTON, Dec. 5.—The Iron Cap Copper Company has declared an initial dividend of 2 per cent on its common stock and regular semiannual dividend of 2 1/2 per cent on the preferred, both payable January 1, 1917, to stock of record December 15.

Financial Literature of Interest

The titles of some of the booklets and pamphlets we have prepared are as follows: Comparison of Real Estate Mortgages and Bonds; Advantages of Exchanging Securities; Diversification of Investments to Women; Who Manage Their Affairs Public Utility Securities; Investors' Service Department; Electrical Utility Investments; Copies of any of the above will be supplied on request.

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Barrett Company Declares Extra

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—The Barrett Company has declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent on the common stock, payable January 2 to stock of record December 20, also the regular quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent on the preferred stock, payable January 15 to stock of record January 5. An extra cash dividend of 10 per cent was also declared on the common stock, payable January 1917. Common stockholders are given the right to subscribe to 10 per cent of their holdings in common stock at par in January. Directors also authorized a liberal distribution of additional compensation to wage earners and salaried employees.

DIVIDENDS DECLARED

Kennett Corp., quarterly of \$1.00 a share, payable December 30 to stock of record December 15. Continental Can, regular quarterly of 1 1/2 per cent on common and 1 1/2 per cent on preferred, payable January 7 to stock of record December 20. Tobacco Products Corporation, regular quarterly of 1 1/2 per cent on preferred stock, payable January 2.

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