strength and activity prevalled in the stock market during the greater part the day, with the most important factor in the trading being the scant supply all classes of securities, even at brisk advances. There was a mass of big accumulated at around recently prevailing prices, and this accumulation buying power was a solid foundation for the advances which occurred, espe-

Tattle attention was paid to the disquieting events which had induced short ng in the last few days, and there was a general disposition to look for a sentening out of all of the developments which in some circles had been wed with apprehension.

The belief prevailed that the railroad troubles would be adjusted in some way out interruption to traffic, and this view was reflected by the manner in sh Union Pacific moved up above 136. The Marine issues were all active and in the first half of the day, with Marine preferred moving up 21/2 points 714, but losing a good part of this gain when a reaction occurred in the trading. Bethlehem Steel sold ex dividend of 10 per cent at 133, a net in of 4 points.

United States Steel common had an advance from 110 to 111%, from which eacted to 110%, and Utah Copper, after advancing from 111% to 113%, reacted 112. The recessions which came in the afternoon were helped by the newsbulletins telling of the Russian revolt, but these bulletins had all the more nce because of the higher levels at which prices had been established, his the market more sensitive to disquieting influences than it had been

The bond market showed a stronger tone, with International Mercantile grice issues among the most prominent features, the 6s moving up to 91%. ingle-French 5s were traded in at 921/2 to 92%.

MANY STOCKS IN VIGOROUS DEMAND IN ACTIVE NEW YORK CURB MARKET

NEW YORK, March 15.

There was active trading on the Broad Street Curb, with many issues in forcus demand. Merritt Oil was one of the most prominent, advancing to new high record of 26%. The general understanding was that this stock Midwest Refining would be absorbed indirectly by the Standard Oil Comsany of New Jersey. Midvale Steel was another strong feature, moving up 1 point to above 58.

Arrangements are being made to file an application for listing this stock on be Stock Exchange. The officials have been in conference for some days with isting committee in regard to the detail of statements to be submitted, and it is understood that the stock will be placed on the big board soon.

Sinclair il was held back from listing on the Exchange at the meeting yesterby, because the committee desires to make some special rule in regard to stateents of oil-producing companies, especially in reference to sinking fund

The application to list Chevrolet was not acted on on the request of the pany, which desired to make an additional provision in regard to holdings General Motor stocks by which those shares cannot be again placed on the

Mining stocks were fairly active. Erie new notes were traded in at 98%.

INDUSTRIA	ALS	INDEPENDENT OIL ST	COCKS-	
	Sid. Asked.	(Sale)		Bid. Asi
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American British Mfg	5 12	4.9	Federal Oil	456
American Marconi	234 234	4.4	Inter Petroleum	12% 1
American Writing Paper	5 5%	534	Houston Oil	17 1
Canadian Car & Fdy	25 35	3.4	Merritt Oil	25% 2
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۱	American British Mfg	5	12	2.7	Federal Oil 4%		4 74
8	American Marconi	234	274	44	Inter Petroleum 12%	1236	1236
	American Writing Paper		536	534	Houston Oil 17	19	2.4
ę	Canadian Car & Fdy	25	35	3.4	Merritt Oil 281/2	26	2474
ŝ	Canadian Car & Fdy pref	70	75	300	Midwest	117	
n	Carwen Steel	13	1844	1334	Oklahoma Prod & R 11%	11%	1114
ĕ	Charcoal Iron	734	. 8	4.4	Osage Hominy 9	914	9
đ	Chevrolet Motors1	25	127	120	Rice Oil %	100	79
8	Cramp Shipbuilding	85	90	200	Sequoyah 11/2	196	1.5
ŧ	Curtiss Aeroplane	15	23		Sapulpa Ref 11%	1114	1114
g	Emerson Phonograph	934	974	- 11	Sinclair 54 1/2		55
ß	Federal Dyestuff	40	***		West End O & G 20	23	22
	Hankell & Barker Co	4114	4336	**		-	
8	Hendee Mfg	24	27		MINING STOCKS		-10
3	Kathodion Bronze pref.	234	3 14	234	Alaska Standard 1/4	- 18	19
٩	Lake Torpedo Boat		994	934	Atlanta 13	14	1314
	Lima Locomotive new		59		Big Ledge 514	5 1/2	5.94
9	Maritn Arms		90	90	Bisbee Copper (a prosp) 1	134	134
	Maxim Munitions		314	3	Butte Copper & Zinc 10%	11	10%
	Midvale Steel		5736	57	Butte N Y 1%	234	10.0
3	New York Shipbuilding.	88	42	**	Butte N Y 1% Calumet & Jerome 1%	1 11	134
	Otis Elevator	58	62	100	Consolidated Arizona 2	234	234
u	Pierce-Arrow		46	4534	Dundee Ariz 176	2	4.6
ø	Poorless Motors	15	18		Emma Consol 11/4	184	1.6
ā	Poole E & M		100	8.5	First National 234	814	
	Redden M T	903/	2134	21	Florence Goldfield 20	25	
	Berinne, Rootle	20.74	40		Gila Canon 60	70	58
8	Bripps-Booth	77	1236	10.7	Globe Dominion 14	56	173
	fanta Cecilia	2.0	27	5.5	Goldfield Consolidated . 55	60	59
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1	Todd Shipyards		85	3.5	Jumbo Extension 27	29	20
ă	United Sugar	35%	3534	35 56	Kerr Lake 4 %		
đ	I 8 Steamship	6	634	61/4	Kewanas 18	20	20
	United Motors	40	40%	39 %	McKinley-Darragh 53	55	50
я	United Profit Sharing	76	1/2	11.	Magma Copper 48%	4914	4854
	World Film	94	36	34	Motherlode 39	41	40
	Wilt Martin Aircraft	714	8	794	Mines Co. of America 174	214	
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			245	* *	Chill Cop 6s1001/4		100%
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	Prairie Pipe	25	330	44.	Cosden & Co new 6s107	108	1634
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	mand Oil of California 2	99	296	4.4	Midvale Steel 5s 96 1/4	96%	964
	Stand Oil of New Jersey . 6	88	693		Russian 64s 9414	95	9514

Extra for MacAndrews & Forbes Co. NEW YORK, March 15.—The MacAn-frees & Forbes Company has declared a sular quarterly dividend of 2½ per cent of an extra dividend of 2½ per cent on common stock, also a regular quarterly indend of 1½ per cent on the preferred lock. All dividends are payable April 16 stock of record March 31.

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DEATHS

March 16. GILBERT RITER. Serv. P. Private. E. Suddenly. March 18. WILLIAM. Illam and Laura Kincade. aged 8. and friends invited to funeral. Fri. seddence of grandmother. 229 Ardmore. Int. Merion Equare.

DIVIDENDS DECLARED

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Am Smelting 5s 96 1/2 N Y State 4s......... 103 3/4

American Gas and Electric, regular quar-terly of 1% per cent on preferred stock, payable May 1 to stock of record April 18 and regular quarterly of 2% per cent on common, payable April 2 to stock of record March 20. Otis Elevator Company, regular quarterly of \$1.50 on preferred stock and \$1.25 on com-mon stock, payable April 16 to stock of record March \$1 or slow on preterred stock and slize on common stock, payable April 16 to stock of record March 81.

People's Natural Gas and Pipeage Company, usual of 2 per cent. payable March 24.

Ridge Avenue Passenger Railway Company, resular quarterly distribution of 'rental as a dividend of 18 per share, payable April 2, as registered March 15. Books close March 15, and reopen April 3.

Victor Talking Machine Company, regular quarterly of 5 per cent on common and 18 per cent on preferred, both payable April 14 to stock of record March 81.

Bell Telephone Company of Canada, quarterly 2 per cent, payable April 14 to stock of record March 31.

New England Oil Pipe Line Company, quarterly 18 per cent on preferred stock, payable April 2 to stock of record March 28.

Central Coal and Coke Company, regular quarterly \$1.25 per share on the preferred stock, payable April 14 as registered March 28.

Republic Trust Company, regular quarterly of 18 per cent, payable April 1 to stock of record. March 26.

Federal Ruther Company, regular quarterly of 18 per cent on first preferred stock, payable April 1 to stock of record. March 26.

Federal Ruther Company, regular quarterly of 18 per cent on first preferred stock, payable April 1 to stock of record. April 1 to stock of record.

Prairie Pipe Pays Extra Dividend INDEPENDENCE, Kan.. March 15.—
The Prairic Pipe Line Company today declared an extra dividend of \$5 a share in addition to the usual quarterly dividend of \$5 a share, payable April 30 to holders of record March 31. The extra dividend is the same as has been paid for some time.

Sugar Futures Decline NEW YORK, March 15.—The fact that Cuba was inclined to press nearby sugars for sale, caused an easier tendency in the sugar futures market at the start today and first prices showed declines ranging from 2 to 5 points. Sales on the call amounted to 1102 tons.

New York Stock Sales **CONVENTION HALL** Ajax Rubber 681/2 681/2 681/2

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Totals sales, 447,000 shares, compared with
277,300 shares resterday; thus far this week,
2,661,200 shares; same period last week, 3,104,-

GOVERNMENT BONDS

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Opposes Plan for Miniature Auditorium-Confers With **Prominent Citizens**

Am Ice Sec 27% 27% 27% + % WANTS UTILITY FIRST

Am Loco 7154 7054 7056 + 54 Mayor Smith has announced that he do pref t c 52% 51% 52% +1% opposed to the small Convention Hall plan. He is urging a hall that will accommodate 105% 104% 104% + % at least 12,000 persons.

Philadelphia should have a new municipal auditorium capable of housing the largest conventions and of giving them ample ex-

Utility of the building should be considered first, he said. New plans are being drawn up. Mayor Smith said he thought a suitable structure could be erected for the sum authorized, \$1,438,000.

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Service Corp., 2; Under, Typewriter, 1½; do

pref. 1½; Manhattan Elevated, 1½; Manhattan

Elevated guaranteed, 1½; South Rwy. Mobile

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Motors. 1; Twin City Rapid Trans. 1½; do

pref. 1½; Williya-Overland, 5; Duluth Superjor

Traction pref. 1; Gulf States Steel, 2; 1st pref.

1½; 2d pref. 1%.

Totals sales. 447,000 phares, compared with Bank of England's Reserve Drops
LONDON, March 15.—The weekly statement of the Bank of England follows:
Total feserve 134,161,000, decrease £62,000; circulation £38,073,000, decrease £62,000; builion £53,784,000, decrease £163,000; other securities £53,424,000, decrease £30,605,500; other deposits £119,113,000, decrease £4,012,000; government securities £24,081,000, decrease £7,584,000. The proportion of the bank's reserve to liabilities is now 16,60 per cent against 14,02 per cent last week and compares with an advance from 27 to 27½ per cent in this week last year. The clearings through the London banks for the week were £312,100.000, against £540,780,000 last week and £75,504,000 in this week last year.

MAYOR FAVORS BIG P. O. S. A. ORATORS AT SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Eminent Roll of Flying Squadcon and District Presidents on Mission of Fraternity

All arrangements have been completed for the visitation to the Tuesday evening camps of the Flying Squadron. Many of the speakers will make the effort of their career to carry to the camps a message for progress and general improvement of the order. The members of the squadron will arrive in Philadelphia on Tuesday next in time to have their pictures taken by the EVENING LEDGER'S camera man at State cap headquarters. The camp secretaries have notified all members, and it is expected. that fully forty per cent of the membership will attend the meetings. A meeting for conference will be held at 7 p. m. at the State camp headquarters, and the teams

the sum authorized, \$1.43,000.

In making the announcement. Mayor Smith said he had been impressed by the wholesale opposition voiced against the "compromise" Convention Hall, which would have seated only 6000 persons. Furthermore this building would have afforded no room for exhibitions of small private gatherings for administrative purpose, considered so important at large conventions.

Mayor Smith said:

"I am frank to say that I had some lurking doubts as to the essential utility of the compromise' building. These have been confirmed, beyond reasonable doubt, by the will of the people.

"I do not think there need be any fear that a creditable building can be put up for the money-sunless the cost of building materials and of human energy rise beyond present probability.

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"The first consideration will be that of usefulness. While it would be fine and a beautiful thing to have the original building. These of a pagan temple, its rich architectural ornament, and its more or less rare materials, common sense must enter into the problem.

"We are bound by necessity, and it may prove to be an excellent stimulus. We shall set the architect to work, and see what can be done. As soon as we find out, the public will be fully informed."

Effort will be made to have the hall accommodate, if possible, at least 12,000, Mayor Smith aiready has conferred with and of the proposed.

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Mayor Smith aiready has conferred with a number of prominent citizens and asked their views on the subject.

He made especial reference to the desirability of a building which would be large enough for the needed convention purposes and which would be simpler in design than the "compromise" building.

Camp 304, of West Philadelphia, of which Harold Scott is secretary, will celebrate its fifth anniversary at Fifty-second and Sansom streets Friday evening. March 30.

president and State secretary on Thursday evening, March 29. The meeting will be held in Odd Fellows' Hall and open to the public.

On Menday evening, April 2, Camps 101 and 50 will go by special train to present the flag and Hills on premised by these camps to Camp 103 as Reading, starting the first vicitation of 163 as Reading, starting the first vicitation of 163 as precious mementoes on the trip to all of the 900 camps of the order. The pian was brought about at a visitation of Camp 101 to Camp 50, when the State secretary made the suggestion of sending the flag and Hible to all camps in the State, which was immediately taken up. Camp 101 is located in Francisca, and includes in its membership many leading eitle s of that section. It is known as one of the rost progressive camps in the Order, having a fine brass band, which will go to Reading with the delegations from these camps on April 2. Camp 50 is well known, of course, as the livest and largest known and then camp in the order.

Camp 868, of Wilk: Barre, was presented with an American flag by the members of Camp 408. The meeting was the termination of a membership contest begun by the two camps had September. Camp 868 winning the contest, F. B. Kear, of 408, made the presentation speech and L. R. Holcomb, of 868 accepted the flag on behalf of the camp. These two camps are working side by side for the advancement of the order.

Camp 641, of Potistown, gave a hearly reception to Brother Yeagey, of Company A. Sixth Pennsylvania Infantry, lust back from border duty, who related an interesting occount of life on the Mexican house of the angelia the degree team will arrive the approximated the presentation of elegation and the presentation of the progression and benuet. The State president has promised to be present.

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FORESTERS OF AMERICA" A Purely Fraternal Union Memorial of the Great Irish Patriot

A St. Patrick's night festival on Satur-

day will be one of the gala celebrations of the world-wide celebrity whose memory is ever held green. Foresters of America, true to the injunction not to allow religious subjects, sectarian 'deas or political issues to intrude into its fraternal doings, will commemorate the event in its purely secular The souvenir program outlines an eventful fete of song, story and speech. The ancient and modern music of the Emerald Isle will be rendered; its poets' sentiments recalled; the works of its master minds utilized; its heart-appealing melodies again attuned; the hyben discarded for the better and only jointure of ardent love expressed in the one word, American, pure

Aniong the talent for the occasion will be Brothers Kinslow, No. 41; O'Hara, No. 52; Burns, No. 98; Noon, No. 90; Gibbons, No. 94; Germ, No. 98; Noon, No. 90; Gibbons, No. 94; Germ, No. 165; McHugh, No. 167; Lawler, No. 168; McHugh, No. 169; McKelwey, No. 270; Lorand, No. 2818; No. 237; Germiev, No. 261; Hugher, No. 484; McKelwey, No. 274; McKelwy, No. 274; McKel

The Foresters' Field Day committee will assemble tomorrow at Ross Post Hall, Hutchinson afrect and Gira d avenue, to perfect details for the 1917 celebration tournament. The 108 delegates will have much to engage their consideration in the mattern to be submitted. With last years twenty-such to be submitted. With last years twenty-such to much feel, the greatest up to that date the propose to for outelast. The formulations is a control of the committence in the consenties years from the present account from the present account of the committence of the propose of the committence of the propose of the propose of the propose of the committence of the committence of the present account in the consent of the committence of the co

The Deputy Grand Chief Rangers Association will convene at executive headquarters, 1507 Arch street, for the quarterly conference. The 154 personal representatives of the G. C. R. in the city courts are expected to attend, as, says Bro. Pilot: "It is a difficult matter to get all deputies to do their full duty. Human nature does not make all alike. Even some who would be supposed to be diligent are far from it, but I am bleased to give meted praise to those who have proven faithful and would ask all others to emulate the expamples of the true and tried. And our intention in these sessions is to get the experience of our best workers and learn from them to force ourselves to push our endeavors for the order to the limit."

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At Court Manayunk, No. 34, 1802 South Broad street, the grand chief ranger gave a descriptive a restinant of the late tour through the court has a substant of the aggressive movement of the substant o

Mystic Cross Commandery, No. 486, at Six tieth and Spruce streets, at the last meeting raised to the red cross dearee a class of forty eight candidates, the work being done by the staff of Fidelity, No. 171, of Contestile, the track team of the State, This is the second class within a year. This commandery has been organized less than two years and ha now a memorrhip of 189. Another class taking the intermediate degrees is in preparation to the red cross in the later part of May.

OFFICERS HAMILTON LODGE, I. O. O. F.



IN I. O. O. F. LODGE.

The Largest Lodge Leading th Leaders-Hamilton Ready for Fiftieth Anniversary

Mille Lodge, No. 1000, conferred the inthatory degree on twenty-one candidatout of thirty-five on the list. The work waperformed in the usually excellent mannebefore a large attendance. Several vinities
brothers made timely remarks on the gosof the order. Brother Samuelson, on behaof Bernard Brown Lodge, requested the
services of the Mille degree team for the
third degree on March 27. The new menhers expressed their admiration of the eemplified work and were anxious to witnethe other degrees. The second and this
degrees in full form will be put on tonight
in order to keep up with pressing degrwork. There is an effort for an extra
large class in April. Visitors are welcon
at Mille in the Parkway Building on Thurday nights. Mille Lodge, No. 1000, conferred the inday nights.

at Mille in the Parkway Building on Thursday nights.

Caledonian Ledge, No. 700, continued the geology nights of the commenced this month under the leader work commenced this month under the leader ship of Degree Master George D. Cale, each ship of Degree Master George D. Cale of the usually impressive manner on fiften in the usually impressive manner on fiften and the visitors were Special D. D. P. G. Jacob Henderson, of Spring Garden, Past Grands lof Nagle, of Damascus; M. H. Smith, of Star Bethlehem, P. Kissel, of Williammstown, N. J. L. G. Grund and Edward Hamilion, ef Puril all of whom gave interesting taiks on the go of the order, expressing high commendation of the work of the degree team.

Tomorrow night the second degree will be exemplified in full form, and visitors will be welcome. Caledonian will be well represented in the meeting of the committee on the rally fithe grand master by the appointment of P. t. P. W. Ancker, who is also one of the board of managers at the orphanage. Brother Ancholes a preacher of Odd Fellowship everywhere, at No. 700 is proud of him.

On March 25 this lodge will conduct the religious services at the home. Seventeenth at Tloga streets, and Noble Grand P. F. De Haster of the Cale of the Cale

resentation for any affair to honor the grand master. The anniversary committee desires the members to turn in their cards by tomorrow night.

Hamilton Lodge. No. 596, will celebrate in the Franklin Theatre, Fifty-second street and Girard avenue, this evening the afflicth anniversary of its institution. Hamilton Lodge received its name from Hamilton than Lodge received its name from Hamilton linge, as the west section of the city was named, after Alexander Hamilton, whose estate originally covered this territory. The lodge was instituted Fobruary 15, 1867, with twenty clarater members in Commissioners' Hall at Thirty-seventh and Market streets.

In September, 1870, the lodge moved to the latenth and Market streets and the lodge moved to the latenth and the second of the lodge moved to the latenth hamilton for the lodge remained here until the room became growth and moved to Metropolitary Hall.

Lancaster avenue, in 1898, in 1900 a fire destroyed the records and paraphernalia of the lodge, and this loss makes it impossible to state what important events have occurred up to that date. The lodge tem orarily met in Roger's Hall, 413 Lancaster avenue, and returned to Metropolitary Hall.

The many improved transit it., littles of West Philadelphia and the new homes have brought the lodge, desiring to locate in this section, selected the present place of meeting and moved there on June 1, 1918.

During the last half century Hamilton Lodge has been a great factor in the community life of West Philadelphia and for maintenance of the organism of the organism of the organism of the lodge area factor in the community life of West Philadelphia and for maintenance of the organism the serial factor in the community life of West Philadelphia and for maintenance of the organism of the organis

Apollo Lodge advanced two candidate to first degree with a good attendance. Brighton, of Ivy Lodge, assisted by taking absence is perfectly a substitute of the substitute of

Apolio is urged to turn out strong on the trip to Norristown on March 22. leaving Sixty-Ninth Street Terminal at 7:30 p. m.

Merchants' Lodge, No. 283, in the presence of a large audience, exemptified the initiatory and first duces. The work was worthy of commendation and the work was worthy of commendation and properly of the presence of the control of the credit of the entire test in the work, which he handled very captured to be the slogan of Merchants' boys. The visitors were P. G. J. B. Jones, Copper City, No. 180, Cliffon, Ariz.; P. G. McCool, Pennsburg, Pa.; Brother Cook, Muncy, Pa.; Brother P. G. Kellogg, of Energetic Lodge, No. 643.

Tomorrow evening the "junior" degree team, under the direction of Brother Walter Boehm, will confer the second degree on Brothers Williams and Smith, and all the "juniors" are requested to be present.

Olive Branch Lodge, No. 115, had a very good attendance, conferring the initiatory degree upon two candidates. John Reynolds and L. C. Hasenauer. Brother Joseph D. Fromis, secretary of Coaquancek Lodge, took part in the initiatory degree, acting as past grand and delivering the charge in a most able and proficient manner. Brother Joseph D. Fromis, secretary of Coaquancek Lodge, took part in the affairs of the lodge. He introduced tallecommendation. Brother Garrison, of Lame downe Lodge, No. 9, of Montreal, Canes in the affairs of the lodge. He introduced tallecommendation and plent of work Other Branch, having side at the National were taken care of thy this lodge, which will mean plent of work of New Hanch, having side at the National were taken care of thy this lodge, which had been an active member in his younger days, was initiated on November 2, 1964.

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April 10.

Past Grand Isaac M. Marshall, "the grand old man" of Wayne Lodge, No. 3, has recovered from his recent liness and the members are jubliant. Brother Marshall was initiated in 1887 and his presence in the folder from is a source of inspiration to all. A class of candidates will receive the second degree under Degree Captain Frederick di Gaetano next Tuesday evening.