

FINANCIAL NEWS—NEW YORK AND PHILADELPHIA STOCK MARKET QUOTATIONS

NEW YORK MARKET GETS STRONG ON RUMORS OF CAMBRAI'S FALL

Sensitiveness to Bullish News Is Demonstrated by Vigorous Buying, Which Sends Prices of Many Stocks Upward for Good Gains

High Points in Today's Financial News Stocks advanced in New York during afternoon trading due to rumors that British forces had captured Cambrai. Cash issues were stronger. Corn was weaker. Cotton advanced. Rubbers and live advanced in foreign exchange market. The weekly statement of the Philadelphia Clearing House showed an increase in loans and deposits in individual and bank deposits as compared with last year. But silver was lower in New York and London.

NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—That the market has become extremely sensitive to bullish news was demonstrated again this afternoon, when rumors that the English had secured controlling points around Cambrai were followed by rumors on the board room floor that that important point had been captured. These rumors were followed by vigorous buying movement all around the room, in which prices of many stocks made vigorous advances of 1 to more than 2 points, with some stocks selling on this movement at the highest price reached in several weeks.

United States Steel common, which resumed the market leadership, moved up above 92, against 91 1/2, at the close on Saturday, and Marine preferred crossed 99, showing a gain of 3 points. The various steel industrialists made brisk advances, with stocks like Bethlehem Steel "B" and Republic Iron and Steel moving up about 2 points.

Midbonds moved in the same way. Reading, after selling at 79 1/2, advanced to 79 3/4, and New Haven made a quick upturn of 1 point to 28 1/2. These advances came after an irregular market in the forenoon, the feature of which was a decline of more than 3 points in General Electric to 126 1/2, that stock moving with the rights, which were traded in on the curb. Later it rallied to 128 1/2.

Commission business was nearly all on the buying side, a good volume of orders having accumulated over Sunday, but the highest prices made were due to activity of the professional element on the floor, which hurriedly turned to the long side soon after noon.

The tobacco stocks reflected poor activities, with Tobacco Products advancing more than 2 points to 45 1/2.

A strong tone was shown in the bond market generally, with most interest attached as usual recently to the trading in the Government issues. Liberty 2 1/2s ranged from 98 1/2 to 99 1/2, and the 1 1/2s were traded in on a large scale from 97 1/2 to 98 1/2.

Sugar Stocks Out of Speculative Field The speculation has all been taken out of the sugar stocks. The price agreed on between the food administrator and the Cuban producers of 4.50 cents a pound, compares with an expectation entertained by them of 4.75 cents. To what extent this will reflect in larger earnings is difficult to say, as the cost of operating the refineries and plantations has grown appreciably. Last year, Cuba's cane sugar received from 4.25 to 4.40 cents a pound for its product, 6 c. b. Cuba, and in the face of this net earnings fell off 35 per cent. The great speculation last year in the sugar stocks was predicted on the phenomenal earning made by those companies in the preceding year.

Interests in Atlantic-Gulf and West Indies are not disappointed because of the failure of directors at this time to declare the long-expected extra dividend. Those closest to the company have insisted right along that if there is an extra dividend it probably will come around the first of the year. In September net increased nearly 150 per cent more than the same month of 1916. On the basis of allowance now being made for the war tax the company's earnings for the full twelve months will be equally as good as they were last year.

To a great degree the movement in Republic Iron and Steel has been in sympathy with that of Lackawanna. The latter has been the most liberal as to dividends. Republic, however, is operating at the rate of about 100 per cent on its stock without allowance for the war tax and may show as high as \$40 a share after the tax. The current bid is that the directors shortly will declare an extra dividend of 3 per cent.

LOCAL LOANS INCREASE Individual and Bank Deposits Drop as Compared With Last Year The average condition of members of the Philadelphia Clearing House Association for the week preceding today is shown in the weekly statement, with comparisons, as follows:

Table with columns: ALL MEMBERS, Loans, Deposits, etc. showing financial trends.

MEMBERS RESERVE PERCENT Cash in vaults, \$19,130,000, 82.60 per cent. Loans, \$42,052,000, 2,905.00 per cent. Total, \$61,182,000, 43.50 per cent.

PHILADELPHIA—Call, 5 per cent; time, 5 1/2 per cent; Commercial paper, 3 per cent; four months, 5 1/2 per cent; six months, 5 1/2 per cent.

LONDON—Money 4 per cent; unchanged. Discount rate for short bills 4 1/2 per cent; unchanged. Three months' bill 4 1/2 per cent; unchanged. De Beers bank at 1 1/2 and Rand Mines at 1 1/2.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—The foreign exchange market was dull. Quotations were: Sterling, 47 1/2; checks, 47 1/2; cables, 47 1/2; sixty-day bills, 47 1/2; 4 1/2 per cent; ninety-day bills, 47 1/2; 4 1/2 per cent; French cables, 5 1/2; checks, 5 1/2; cables, 5 1/2; 4 1/2 per cent; Swiss cables, 4 1/2; checks, 4 1/2; cables, 4 1/2; 4 1/2 per cent; Italian cables, 4 1/2; checks, 4 1/2; cables, 4 1/2; 4 1/2 per cent; Copenhagen cables, 4 1/2; checks, 4 1/2; cables, 4 1/2; 4 1/2 per cent.

BANK CLEARINGS Bank clearings today compared with corresponding day last year: 1916, \$101,101,513; 1917, \$101,101,513.

Refined Sugar Unchanged NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—Refined sugars are unchanged with the American, Canadian and Pennsylvania companies quoting 8 3/8c. The Federal and the Warner Companies are at 8 1/2c. The Atlantic and the American are at 8 1/2c. The Atlantic and the American are at 8 1/2c. The Atlantic and the American are at 8 1/2c.

New York Stock Sales

Table listing various stocks such as Alaska Gold Mine, Alaska Juneau, etc., with their respective prices and changes.

Sales in Philadelphia

Table listing various stocks such as 4 Buff & S of 50, 40 Coll Tr N of 27, etc., with their respective prices and changes.

Shares of Sales, 6877 shares, compared with 1255 on Saturday. High, Low, Close, Net change.

Local Bid and Asked Table listing various stocks such as Amer Sugar, 40, 40 1/2, 40 1/2, 40 1/2.

INACTIVE PHILA. STOCKS Following are quotations for inactive stocks listed on the Philadelphia Stock Exchange and in which there were no transactions today. The price given is the last previous close.

Table listing inactive Philadelphia stocks such as 1000 Amer Sugar, 1000 Amer Tobacco, etc.

New York Bond Sales

Table listing various bonds such as 1000000 4 1/2 per cent, 1000000 4 1/2 per cent, etc.

Total sales, 62,000 shares, compared with 37,000 shares on Saturday.

REFORMED MINISTERS HEAR TALK ON LAYMAN'S VIEWS

Sunday School Superintendent Declares Church Inspiration of Great War Works At the regular weekly meeting of the Reformed ministers, held at Fifteenth and Race streets this morning, Mr. Harry E. Paisley, treasurer of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway and Sunday school superintendent of the Trinity Reformed Church, Broad and Venango streets, spoke impressively on 'The Layman's Viewpoint.'

The church cannot be run by ministers alone, Mr. Paisley insisted. 'There is a need of enlisting the energies of far greater numbers of men from the business and professional ranks. We need those who are not just as much, they need the church.'

To the question so generally asked today, 'Are not the Red Cross work and the Y. M. C. A. work greater than that of the church?' Mr. Paisley replied emphatically in the negative. 'The church must ever be the guiding and inspiring spirit behind the more powerful activities, be insisted. But draw the laymen into closer touch,' he urged. 'Don't let the layman get away from the church. He will rather you learn to preach the kind of Christ the world really needs—a highly attractive Christ, whom his hearers left all to follow.'

TRADING IS LIMITED ON LOCAL EXCHANGE, WITH CHANGES SMALL

Westmoreland Coal Advances More Than a Point on Light Sales—Lehigh Navigation Warrants and William Cramp Decline

Trading on the Philadelphia Stock Exchange was small today and price changes were generally unimportant. About the only exception to the rule was in Lehigh Navigation warrants and William Cramp certificates. The former declined 1/2 on a fair-sized turnover, while the latter, on a few small transactions, was off 1 1/2. The Lehigh Navigation stock was also fractionally lower, but only a few transactions took place in it.

Westmoreland Coal, while inactive, reflected the proposed North Penn merger plans by advancing more than a point. Electric Storage Battery, United Gas Improvement, Philadelphia Company cumulative preferred and Warwick Iron were unchanged. Lake Superior Corporation advanced a quarter and gains of the same amount were recorded by Philadelphia Electric, Nevada Consolidated and Tompash Mining. Tompash Belmont was a fraction lower.

Philadelphia Rapid Transit was late in coming out, but was firm, selling at 2 1/2, a trifle higher than the close of Saturday. Railroad issues did little and were irregular. Reading and Pennsylvania were lower, while Lehigh Valley and Erie were marked up a half.

United States Steel was not active, but showed some improvement, advancing toward the close to 93 1/2, a gain of more than a point. Liberty bonds were uninteresting. 3 1/2s were higher early, but by mid-afternoon had backed off for a loss of 30-100 of 1 per cent. The 4s were inactive, but changed hands off a trifle.

CURB TRADING SHOWS STRENGTH, WITH GAINS IN MANY ISSUES

Dealings in Aetna Explosives on Large Scale at Highest Prices Touched in Several Months—General Electric Rights Active

NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—There was a strong tone to the market on the curb, with many issues showing strength and making substantial gains. Aetna Explosives had a far broader market than it has enjoyed for a long time, dealings being on a large scale, at prices ranging from 7 1/2 to 8 1/2, the highest point touched in several months. Cities Service was another strong feature, advancing from 29 1/2 to 31 1/2.

A feature of the trading was the large business in General Electric Rights to subscribe to new stock at par. These rights, which sold at 4 on Saturday, were traded in at 2 1/2 to 3 1/2. The notes sold in moderate amounts at 2 1/2 to 3 1/2. Maxim Munitions was firm, with sales at 3 1/2 and 3 3/4.

INDUSTRIALS

Table listing industrial stocks such as Aetna Explosives, Am Bldg Mfg, Am Marconi, etc.

Mining Stocks—Continued

Table listing mining stocks such as Mother Lode, Mines Co, Nevada Hills, etc.

BONDS

Table listing various bonds such as Bethlehem 2 1/2, Coston Oil 6 1/2, etc.

STANDARD OIL STOCKS

Table listing standard oil stocks such as Illinois, Standard Oil of California, etc.

INDEPENDENT OIL STOCKS

Table listing independent oil stocks such as Barnett Oil & Gas, Coston & Co, etc.

LIABILITIES

Table listing liabilities such as Due Depositors, Liberty Loan, etc.

MINING STOCKS

Table listing mining stocks such as Alaska Standard, Atlanta, Big Ledge, etc.

SPECIAL NOTICES

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CHICAGO BUTTER AND EGGS. CHICAGO, Nov. 26.—Butter—Receipts, 6815 cases. First, 47 1/2c; ordinary first, 43 1/2c; miscellaneous, cases returned, 41 1/2c; etc.

REFINED SUGAR UNCHANGED. NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—Refined sugars are unchanged with the American, Canadian and Pennsylvania companies quoting 8 3/8c.

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