

NEWS OF THE FINANCIAL WORLD—NEW YORK AND PHILADELPHIA STOCK PRICES

OUTSIDE INTEREST IS LACKING ON NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE AND BUSINESS BECOMES DULL

Volume is Smallest of Midsummer Season—Gains Follow Declines for Few Issues, But Advances Are Not Maintained

High Points in Today's Financial News Outside interest was lacking on New York Stock Exchange and business was smallest of midsummer season...

There was little outside interest shown in the stock market trading at any time during the day and the transactions were the smallest in volume of any day in this dull midsummer period...

There were active in a few issues, especially General Motors, which made a gain of more than 4 points to 14 1/2...

United States Steel common, which sold at 107 1/2, rose to 108 1/2, with a slight reaction in the late trading...

Baldwin Locomotive, which rose from 88 1/2 to 90 1/2, also lost part of its gain. Similar advances and recessions were noted in other stocks...

The continued success of the Allies, reported in today's war bulletins, had a temporary influence in speculative sentiment...

Liberty Bonds, which were traded in early at 99.96, sold at 100 for the first time this year, but later reacted to 99.92...

Railway bonds continued in supply at concessions, with fractional losses recorded in a number of issues.

INCREASED DEMAND FOR AETNA EXPLOSIVES THE FEATURE ON CURB

Stock Continues Upward Movement—Burns Brothers Ice Another Strong Issue—Oil Continues Quiet

There were some interesting features to the trading on the Broad Street Curb today, with most importance attached to the increased demand for Aetna Explosives...

Burns Brothers Ice was another strong feature, moving up from 36 1/2 to the new high record of 37...

Cosden was steady, selling at 6 1/2 and 6 3/4. No sales were made in Houston Oil during the first half of the day...

Motor stocks were quiet, with United Motors, the only active feature in this group, advancing from 31 1/2 to 32 1/2...

Calumet and Jerome was the most active of the mining stocks, advancing from 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 on trading of about 1000 shares...

United States Steamship sold at 6 1/2 and 6 3/4. Lake Torpedo was firm, a small amount being traded in at 5 and 5 1/4...

American Sumatra rights sold at 4 1/2 and 4 3/4.

INDEPENDENT OIL STOCKS—CONT.

Table listing independent oil stocks with columns for stock name, price, and change.

BONDS

Table listing various bonds with columns for bond name, price, and change.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

Table listing foreign exchange rates for various countries and currencies.

PHILADELPHIA—Call, 6 per cent

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BANK CLEARINGS

Bank clearings today compared with corresponding day last year: 1014...

Drop in Wheat Exports

New York, Aug. 2.—Exports of grain for the week, with comparisons figures in bushels were as follows: Wheat...

Paris Bourse Quiet

Paris, Aug. 2.—Trading was quiet on the bourse today. Renten 81 francs...

Sugars Unchanged

New York, Aug. 2.—Refined sugar prices were unchanged on the market today...

New York Stocks

Table listing New York stock prices for various companies like Alcoa, Am Can, Am Ice, etc.

SHORT SIDE IN CORN DISPOSED TO COVER

Forecast for Fair and Warmer Conditions Gives Strength to Market—Oats Slow

GRAIN WEATHER CONDITIONS Chicago, Aug. 2.—Illinois—Unsettled after afternoon followed by fair tonight...

Conditions dry weather in the southwest and a forecast for fair and warmer conditions over that region imparted strength to the market for corn here today...

Commission houses were persistent in the market for corn, and the wheat market was quiet...

Trade in oats was slow and the market declined, hedging pressure keeping prices down...

NEW YORK INACTIVE STOCKS

Following are quotations for inactive New York stocks and in which there were no transactions today...

Table listing inactive New York stocks with columns for stock name, price, and change.

NEW YORK BONDS

Table listing New York bond prices for various issues like 173000 Am-French, 80000 Am For Sec, etc.

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Philadelphia Stocks

Table listing Philadelphia stock prices for various companies like 25 Elec, 25 Lk, etc.

PHILADELPHIA INACTIVE STOCKS

Following are quotations for inactive Philadelphia stocks listed in the Philadelphia Stock Exchange...

Table listing inactive Philadelphia stocks with columns for stock name, price, and change.

STATE CORPORATIONS

Public Service Commission Grants Numerous Requests for Enlarging of Capital

Harrisburg, Aug. 2.—Certificates of notification filed by the Metropolitan Edison Electric Company...

LOCAL MINING STOCKS

Table listing local mining stock prices for various companies like 100000 Am-French, etc.

RAILROAD EARNINGS

Table listing railroad earnings for various lines like 100000 Am-French, etc.

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EXTREME DULLNESS CONTINUES ON THE LOCAL STOCK EXCHANGE; PRICE CHANGES UNIMPORTANT

Lake Superior Corporation Is Active Leader and Moves Upward After Drop—Steel Does Little

Liberty Bonds Irregular The local stock market was narrow again today; only a few issues appearing during the session...

Lake Superior Corporation, which made up the bulk of business for home stocks yesterday, was the active leader, and, although it was as high as 20, up 1 point, it lost the gain 11 o'clock, later recovering to near the top of the day...

Pennsylvania Railroad, which was ex dividend yesterday, advanced 1/2 on a small turnover this morning, Electric Storage Battery yielded 1/2 and Rapid Transit trust certificates, Tonopah-Belmont and United States Steel common were unchanged...

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Business in the Local Reserve District

Reporting on business conditions in this district, Richard L. Austin, chairman of the Philadelphia Federal Reserve Bank, says: "The war continues to be the overshadowing factor everywhere..."

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"Retail distribution, including men's and women's wearing apparel, has recovered from the setback due to unseasonable cool weather, but there are many indications on the part of the public to limit buying to staples and more actual necessities..."

"Business at the South Jersey seashore resorts has been very quiet. Hotels which are normally crowded at this time of year are not half filled, and the stores have felt the effects of wartime economies..."

"The local Federal Reserve Bank has been instructed to withdraw from depositories 66.2-3 per cent of the amounts remaining on deposit of the July 18 payments to the third Liberty Loan after deducting the payment due August 5. The payment will approximate \$14,742,000 and is payable at the Reserve Bank not later than August 8..."

"The Philadelphia Reserve District's quota to the new \$500,000,000 issue of United States Treasury certificates of indebtedness is \$36,000,000. Certificates will be dated August 6 and subscriptions will close August 13..."

Financial Briefs

The New York Subtreasury lost \$266,000 to the banks in the one-day auction of cash but gain since Friday to \$2,722,000...

The directors of the Drovers' and Merchants' Bank have added \$500,000 surplus fund, making that item \$20,000, and leaving undivided profits \$175,000...

Secretary McAdoo has announced that the third bi-weekly issue of United States Treasury certificates of indebtedness in anticipation of the fourth Liberty Loan, was oversubscribed \$84,750,000. The total subscription aggregated \$584,750,000...

Commercial failures in the United States during July were 786, with liabilities of \$5,783,343, against 802 failures in June for \$10,000,000. Reverses in July, 1917, for \$1,240,424. Not only are July's insolvencies the smallest both in number and in amount of the present year, but so few failures have not been reported in any previous month back to July, 1907, and the indebtedness is lighter than in all months since May, 1910...

The Imperial Japanese Government has purchased in London for cancellation of \$40,000,000 of per cent Liberty bonds \$10,000,000 of the same issue. Secretary McAdoo has announced that the third bi-weekly issue of United States Treasury certificates of indebtedness in anticipation of the fourth Liberty Loan, was oversubscribed \$84,750,000...

There has been admitted to the list of New York Stock Exchange, American Railway & Transportation Trust, a majority of New York certificate of deposit for its preferred stock...

Notwithstanding considerable realignment, partly for Japanese account, the market continued very firm throughout the forenoon and was only 4 or 5 points under the highest of the morning. New Orleans advance reported increasing complaints of shedding and weevil in the Atlantic, while there was some talk of a low grade in the Carolinas this year...

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Market Reports

This daily report is sent out by the Bureau of Markets of the United States Department of Agriculture, Philadelphia branch, with headquarters at 309-313 Insurance Exchange Building...

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