

NEWS OF FINANCIAL WORLD—NEW YORK AND PHILA. STOCK PRICES

BRIGHTER LABOR OUTLOOK TURNS MARKET UPWARD

Pool Activities Bring Sensational Jumps in Specialties—Moderate Reaction in the Afternoon

New York, Aug. 28.—Overnight consideration of the labor situation put Wall street in quite a different frame of mind. The tenor of the news received during the day, while often of a doubtful nature, also contributed to make the market somewhat brighter and the atmosphere generally in market circles more cheerful. The direct outcome was another about face turn in the movement prices, with the pendulum swinging as vigorously upward as it had taken the opposite course yesterday. This meant an average advance of a point and over in the rank and file, while in specialties aggressive pool activities brought sensational turns from 2 to more than 11 points.

The recovery movement was wholly natural and logical in view of the narrowness of the current speculation. In the last ten days speculation in the market had reached a juncture by reason of the altered technical conditions whereby it rapidly reaches an overbought and over-sold condition. It was evident even to the uninitiated layman that the bulk of the operations are supplied by the professional and semi-professional trading element, the output of which had fallen to small proportions. The public, however, only need a little convincing and true to the ever unaltered rule, are always more ready to follow the rising rather than the declining market.

When Wall street began business today the rank and file of the market contingent apparently found in their judgment a more convincing attitude of labor organizations in both the steel and railroad situation. Just what this was based upon would be difficult to determine. It is only fair to state, however, that real Wall street never did believe there would be a steel strike, and after reading Judge Gary's letter last night were more positive than ever a steel strike was almost an impossibility. The cause of the market's reaction regarding the railroad situation likewise had the effect of increasing confidence in a satisfactory adjustment of this end of the labor situation.

NEW YORK STOCK SALES

Table with columns: Sales, Last Close, High, Low, 150, 100, 50, 25, 10, 5, 1. Lists various stock prices and sales volumes.

Philadelphia Stocks

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BONDS

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LIVESTOCK QUOTATIONS

Table with columns: Receipts, Market, High, Low, 150, 100, 50, 25, 10, 5, 1. Lists livestock market prices.

ELECTRIC STORAGE AGAIN LOCAL STAR ATTRACTION

"Penny" Dividend, in Opinion of Reliable Authority, Is Considered Safe—Local Market Stronger

Electric Storage Battery was the all-absorbing feature of the local market today. It was brought again into prominence by an animated rally of more than 3 points, virtually retrieving the ground lost in the two preceding sessions. The quick rebound came in for more than passing interest because it confirmed yesterday's reports of quiet absorption under realizing sales and the absence of real liquidating pressure. As a matter of fact, the stock was again taken today by virtually the same interests which for some time past have been scientifically and skillfully picking up the stock. The buying of these same interests automatically has appeared and disappeared according to market conditions. In the two preceding sessions while the stock was under moderate realizing pressure after touchings 85, it was under cover, taken by the same crowd. In the meantime, the street "they just held the bag." Today, as demonstrated on other occasions, the floating supply was found to be extremely small when certain gentlemen who had the disagreeable habit of selling—that which does not belong to them—tried to cover short commitments.

The trading in the remainder of the local stocks was relatively light. General Asphalt was covered by virtually the same crowd, representing the elimination of yesterday's gains. Lake Superior, Lehigh Valley and Philadelphia Electric were unchanged. Union Traction lost one-half, while Pennsylvania shod an eighth. Tomahawk improved eight-sixths, and Insurance Company of North America was one-eighth above the previous sale. American Ship showed signs of life again advancing 3/4. Pennsylvania Salt on light sales receded 1/4. Efforts have been made on frequent occasions to create the impression of a possible change in the Pennsylvania Railroad dividend policy when the directors met in action on this question at their meeting in October. Even a source of information generally considered reliable and authoritative it is stated positively that no change in the dividend distribution has been either considered or contemplated by the board of directors. Nor is there any probability of change in the dividend policy during the term of the government control. No one can tell what conditions may be created when the railroads are returned by the government to their security holders, but this would be a case of borrowing trouble ahead of time. At the moment, measured by all trustworthy signs, the "Penny" dividend seems to be safe. This, in all events, apparently is the opinion of the investors as indicated in the continued increase of new stockholders. On August 1 the number of persons holding the stock reached a new high record of 112,201, an increase of 618 over July and an increase of 8063 over August 1. The holding was 88,535 shares, compared with 89,144 shares on July 1 and 93,800 shares a year ago. The number of stockholders in the last two years has increased 18,012, while the average holding has been reduced from 105.95 to 88.95 shares. An interesting feature in connection with this growing list of stockholders is that women are still buying the stock in greater relative degree than men. On August 1 the women stockholders held 29.24 per cent, or \$150,000,000 par value of the \$500,000,000 capital stock. Another striking change is in the foreign holdings, which has fallen to 1.80 per cent.

Buying After A Reaction

The recent decline greatly reduced the market valuation of standard securities, and the opinion is quite general in financial circles that the technical position of the market has been considerably strengthened.

At present, many issues in view of the increasing prosperity of the industries they represent at prevailing quotations would seem to merit consideration from discriminating investors.

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NEW YORK BOND SALES

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TRADE FEATURELESS NO STRIKE IS THE FINANCIAL VERDICT

Business on Moderate Scale and Fluctuations Confined Within Narrow Limits

New York, Aug. 28.—The broad sector market was fairly active in today's trading, but without special features. Few stocks being traded in on more than a moderate scale, and fluctuations in most cases were confined within narrow limits. American Ship and Commerce reflected increased confidence, moving up from 25 to 30 1/2, and a better tone was noted in Allied Packers, which was traded in at 55 to 56. Submarine Boat sold at 15 1/2 to 15, but New York Shipbuilding was in good demand, with sales at 57 to 58. Tire stocks were steady. Overland trading ranged from 20 to 28, with the rally in the afternoon to 29.

Hurried Covering of Shorts and Scant Supply Send Prices Up With Rush

Stock sales today on the New York exchange, as reported by the Evening Star, totaled 765,100 shares. New York, Aug. 28.—The New York Evening Star in the closing financial review today says: Whether justified or not by present indications or future events, Wall street about made up its mind today that there was not going to be a strike either by the railway shippers or by the steelworkers. With Mr. Gompers in Washington studying the situation and Mr. Stone ordering the striking engineers on the Pacific coast to return to their engines on pain of expulsion from the union, not to mention the report later qualified that the shippers in the Reading district had voted to accept President Wilson's offer, there was ground for believing that the worst was over. Labor knows now that it has gone as far as it can go and carry any preponderance of sympathy of the country with it. The leaders have stopped to reflect and all the more readily reflect on President Wilson's offer, as assumed a position from which it is not conceivable that he can recede, and labor is not going to assail that position without due weighing because it senses the fact that the country is unmistakably behind the President in his stand. These considerations were more than sufficient to send the shorts hurriedly to cover, and all the more readily because of the impending three-day recess from Friday to Tuesday. The volume of trading was light and this demonstrated that the supply of stocks was not large. When the demand became all at once, therefore, prices were bid up broadly.

STANDARD OIL STOCKS

Table with columns: Standard Oil, etc. Lists Standard Oil stock prices.

INDEPENDENT OILS

Table with columns: Independent Oils, etc. Lists independent oil stock prices.

RAILROAD EARNINGS

Table with columns: Railroad Earnings, etc. Lists railroad earnings data.

DIVIDENDS DECLARED

Table with columns: Dividends Declared, etc. Lists dividend declarations.

LIBERTY BONDS

Table with columns: Liberty Bonds, etc. Lists Liberty bond prices.

BUTTER, EGGS AND CHEESE

Table with columns: Butter, Eggs, Cheese, etc. Lists commodity prices.

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CHARTERS FILED

Table with columns: Charters Filed, etc. Lists charter filings.

NEW YORK METAL MARKET

Table with columns: New York Metal Market, etc. Lists metal market prices.

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Special Meetings. SINCLEAR CONSOLIDATED OIL CORPORATION. Notice of Special Meeting of Stockholders.

NOTICE OF REDEMPTION OF WALL STREET FUND

Notice of Redemption of Wall Street Fund. The Wall Street Fund, a trust created by the will of the late John D. Rockefeller, Jr., is to be redeemed on October 1, 1914.

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

Office of the Superintendent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Notice of Public Hearing on the proposed plan for the construction of a new building for the State.

Liberty Bonds Bought and Sold. American National Bank.

Charters Filed. American National Bank.

New York Metal Market. American National Bank.

Butter, Eggs and Cheese. American National Bank.

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