

THE STANDARD'S FINANCIAL SECTION

Many Miscellaneous
Issues Included
Among New Highs

New York Operations Characterized by Irregularity Due, Largely, to Professional Pressure.

New York, April 24.—Various issues of a miscellaneous character were included among the new high records made in the stock market today, although the session's operations were characterized by much irregularity, due, largely, to professional pressure.

Quoted values tended mainly upward at the outset, but the rise met with extensive offerings of stocks, popular oils, metals and allied specialties, utilities and several of the dividend-paying rails, effecting much of the initial advance.

Shore selling was invited by last Saturday's address of the Comptroller of the Currency before banking interests, in which alleged extravagant speculation on the stock exchange was deprecated on the ground that it might cause a diversion of funds from productive enterprise.

Local financiers were not in accord with the views of the comptroller, affirming their belief that the recent upsurge of market values was predicated on signs of general business and industrial revival. It was also declared that money now employed in Wall Street in no way restricted or curtailed offerings for commercial purposes.

New Haven Strong

New Haven was one of the day's consistently strong features, retaining nearly all of its extreme rise of four points, but other rails of the same class eased. Among the few other substantial gains were Federal Mine and Smelting preferred, Columbia Graphophone preferred, California Packing, Postum and the rubber tire group.

Nearly all the steels, Midvale excepted, oils and metals finished at losses extending from fractions to about two points. Mexican Petroleum being under constant pressure. Sales amounted to 1,500,000 shares.

For the first time in a week the money market deviated from its easy tone. Call loans held at 3 1/2 per cent until the final hour, when a four per cent rate was posted. Time money rates were unchanged, but supplies for the longer dates were less plentiful.

Despite the coercive measures threatened by President Wilson's connection with Germany's reparations payments, all foreign exchanges displayed marked strength. Demand sterling advanced 4 1/2, its best quotation since early in March last. Allied bills were firm and the German mark rose to 945 against the recent low of .034.

N. Y. Quotations

(Compiled by McDougall and Cowan, 58 Prince Wm. St.)

Open	High	Low	Close
Allied Chem.	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2
Am Bosch	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2
Am Can	48 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2
Am Loco	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2
Am Int Corp	45 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2
Am Sugar	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Am Smelters	58 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2
Am Wool	30 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2
Am Sumatra	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2
Am C and F	163 1/2	163 1/2	163 1/2
Asphalt	65 1/2	65 1/2	65 1/2
Atchafalpa	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2
Am Tele	121 1/2	121 1/2	121 1/2
Anacosta	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2
Atl Gulf	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2
Beth Steel	78 1/2	78 1/2	78 1/2
Bald Loco	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2
B and O	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2
B and S	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2
Can Pacific	144 1/2	144 1/2	144 1/2
Corn Prod	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2
Coco Cola	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2
Corden Oil	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2
C & E I Com	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2
C & E I Pfd	48 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2
China	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2
Crucible	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2
Cen Leather	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2
Chandler	76 1/2	76 1/2	76 1/2
Chas Can	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2
Columbia Gas	55 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2
Erie Com	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2
Endi Jeha	86 1/2	86 1/2	86 1/2
Gen Motors	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
G N Pfd	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Inspiration	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2
Irvin	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2
Indas Alcohol	48 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2
Kelly Spe	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2
Kennecott	32 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2
Midvale	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2
Mid States Oil	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2
West Pico	125 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2
Mo Pacific	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
N Y N H & H	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2
North Am Co	60 1/2	60 1/2	60 1/2
Northern Pac	78 1/2	78 1/2	78 1/2
Penn	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2
Pan Amer	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2
Pierce Ar	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
Panola Sugar	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2
Pacific Oil	59 1/2	59 1/2	59 1/2
Pure Oil	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2
Pure Man	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
Reading	77 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2
Royal Ind	47 1/2	47 1/2	47 1/2
Royal Dutch	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2
S I and S	69 1/2	69 1/2	69 1/2
Re Shores	61 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2
St Paul	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2
South Ry	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2
South Pac	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
Standard	125 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2
Shoe Oil	32 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2
Texaco Co	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2
T E O and O	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2
Trans Ry	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2
Utah Cpr	69 1/2	69 1/2	69 1/2
Union Oil	61 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2
United Fruit	125 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2
Union Pac	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2
U S Steel	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2
U S Rubber	65 1/2	65 1/2	65 1/2
Westing	65 1/2	65 1/2	65 1/2

N Y Funds—3 1/2 p.c.
Total Sales—1,500,000.

General Price
Recessions On
Montreal Market

There Was Curtailment in Activity, New Highs Being Established on Three Issues Only.

Montreal, April 24.—General recessions in prices prevailed in today's trading on the local stock exchange, although losses were mostly fractional. There was also a considerable curtailment of activity in the trading.

New highs were established by only three stocks and the largest gain of the day was for 1 1/2 points. Losses ranged from fractions to 3 1/2 points. Bell Telephone led the market in activity and closed at 107 for a gain of a quarter point. Brazilian came second and showed a closing recession of 7 1/2 at 45 1/2.

Papers Quiet.

The papers were much less active than usually. Brompton and the Spanish issues closed unchanged, while Abitibi and Price each had fractional losses.

In point of price gains Dominion Steel preferred and Bank of Montreal were the leaders, each showing 1 1/2 point gains. Banque Nationale suffered the greatest decline, being down 3 1/2 points at par.

Atlantic Sugar and Steamships preferred each showed a net gain of half a point. Power was down 3 1/2 to 91 1/2. Bonds were fairly active and two new highs were established in the industrial. Canada Steamships debentures reaching 70, while Dominion Iron touched 88 1/2.

Total sales, listed, 14,022; bonds, 1,194,700.

Montreal Sales

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Open	High	Low	Close
Abitibi	52 1/2	52 1/2	52 1/2
Atl Sugar	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
Asb Com	61 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2
Asb Pfd	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2
Brompton	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2
Brazilian	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2
B R 2nd Pfd	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2
Bell Tel	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2
Can S S Com	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
Can S S Pfd	51 1/2	51 1/2	51 1/2
Can Car Pfd	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2
Can Cen Com	62 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2
Can Cen Pfd	91 1/2	91 1/2	91 1/2
Dom Bridge	71 1/2	71 1/2	71 1/2
Dom Glass	65 1/2	65 1/2	65 1/2
Dom Canars	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2
Detroit	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2
Laurentide	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
Mont Power	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2
Nat Breweries	58 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2
Ont Steel	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2
Price Bros	45 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2
Quebec Ry	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2
Richmond	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2
Span R Pfd	91 1/2	91 1/2	91 1/2
Steel Canada	69 1/2	69 1/2	69 1/2
Smelting	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2
Shawinigan	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2
Toronto Ry	62 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2
Textile	155 1/2	155 1/2	155 1/2
Waymack	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2
Win Elec	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2

Cotton Market

New York, April 24.—Cotton futures closed steady; closing bids:

January 176 1/2 at 63.
May 179 1/2 at 1800.
July 176 1/2 at 65.
October 177 1/2 at 65.
December 176 1/2 at 66.

Spot closed steady. Middling Uplands 18 1/2.

Liverpool

Cotton, spot, fair demand; prices steady. American middling fair 1 1/2; good middling 16 1/2; fully middling 16 1/2; middling 16 1/2; low middling 16 1/2; good ordinary 8 1/2; ordinary 8 1/2. The sales of the day were 7,000 bales including 5,500 American. Receipts 46,000 American, and closed steady.

SAVANNAH TRADE.

Savannah, Ga., April 24.—Turpentine: 179; sales, 122; receipts, 148; shipments, 387; stock, 1,734.
Rosin—71; sales, 288; receipts, 215; shipments, 722; stock, 50,241.

No Sales On The
Raw Sugar Market

Heavy Selling in Raw Sugar Futures at Opening With Price Declines.

New York, April 24.—There were no sales in the raw sugar market early today, but the undertone was easier and Cuban was offered in increased volume at 2 3/4 cents, cost and freight, equal to 5 1/2 for centrifugal for both prompt and May shipment.

There was heavy selling in raw sugar futures at the opening and prices at one time showed declines of 3 to 3 1/2 points. Prices rallied later on covering, and at midday showed declines of 1 to 4 points.

There was no change in refined prices, but for centrifugal for both prompt and May shipment. Refined futures, nominal.

Many Clever Schemes
To Smuggle From
Soviet Russia

Diamonds and Precious Stones Have Been Concealed in Sandwiches.

Kovno, Lithuania, April 24.—A solid gold kettle, hanging from a stick over the shoulder of a ragged refugee who recently passed into Lithuania, has been found at thousands of dollars concealed in sandwiches.

When he reached here he threw the dried bread and meat which had screened his jewels to some boys. A few hours later he discovered that one of his most valuable stones was missing. Ten hogs were killed before the diamond was recovered.

Many clever schemes to smuggle valuables from Russia are revealed after their authors find themselves safe in Kovno. One traveler succeeded in passing the inspectors with diamonds and other precious stones concealed in sandwiches.

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Fear of Starving
Becomes Acute
In The Ukraine

People Flocking from the Farming Districts Into the Cities for Existence.

Odessa, April 24.—Fear of starvation in the Ukraine, once regarded as the richest farming country in the world, has become so acute that thousands of peasants are abandoning everything they possess and flocking to the cities, where they hope to eke out an existence until all chance of crop requisition by the Soviets has passed.

Hops for better crops this summer seems to have been lost. Merchants here who formerly sold agricultural machinery in the Ukraine are making no efforts to dispose of their stock. There will be no crops to speak of this year, and next season it will be worse, they say.

The Ukraine, commonly called the "granary of Europe," produced nearly 20,000,000 tons of wheat and cereals in previous years. Its annual yield of potatoes averaged 6,000,000 tons. In 1914 it marketed 27,000,000 head of horned cattle, 8,100,000 horses and 6,300,000 pigs. It also exported coal, iron and manganese, dairy products and blooded horses.

The Ukraine, twice as large as the British Isles and with a pre-war population of 40,000,000, is fast becoming a desolate waste, according to the refugees. The only reason it has held together until now, they say, is because of rich stores of grain accumulated in the days of prosperity, which were hoarded by the Soviet Communists on the plea that they must be used for seed. Now that these are exhausted, the rich, black earth of the Ukraine must lie idle and worthless.

Included among those who face starvation are half a million German colonists, descendants of Germans who settled in the country more than 100 years ago by invitation of Catherine the Great. In the German colony of Gross Liebenthal, near Odessa, one city of 19,000 population is said already to be in the grip of famine. In this section some 50,000 acres of grain was sown annually before the war. Today there is not a sheaf of wheat to be seen. In another section where 80,000 acres formerly were sown, there is now 100 acres under cultivation.

BONDS FIRM
DESPITE MANY SALES
FOR REALIZING

New York, April 24.—Bonds held relatively firm today in the face of further extensive realizing sales. Several of the foreign Government offerings continued to show strength, particularly United Kingdoms of 1937, which attained a new record; French Government and Municipals, and Queensland seven.

Total sales, par value, were \$21,741,000.

Wheat Market Dull
And Featureless On
Winnipeg Board

Easier Tone Prevailed in Cash Markets With Offerings Comparatively Light.

Winnipeg, April 24.—With trading limited, and of a spasmodic character, the wheat market was dull and featureless during most of the session today. The market was easier throughout the whole of the day, although there was a slight recovery from the low points during the final hour. After dropping to 141 1/2, May reacted and closed 1 1/2 lower, while July touched a low of 138 1/2 and closed 1 1/2 lower. The market was active in sympathy with Chicago and a little spreading was reported between here and the American market.

An easier tone prevailed in the cash markets. Nos. 1 and 2 Northern wheat were in demand. Offerings were comparatively light, but farmers were reported to be fair sellers. Premiums were unchanged to fractionally lower. There was a fair demand for cash oats, but all other grains were quiet and featureless.

Quotations.

Wheat—May, 142 1/2; July, 139 3/8.

Oats—May, 51 5/8 bid; July, 51 asked.

Barley—May, 69 3/4; July, 69 1/4 bid.

Cash prices:

Wheat—No. 1 hard, 149 3/4; No. 1 Northern, 149 1/2; No. 2 Northern, 144; No. 3 Northern, 135; No. 4, 133 1/2; No. 5, 111 1/2; No. 6, 101 1/2; feed, 95 1/2; track, 149 1/2.

Oats—No. 1 feed, 40 3/8; No. 1 feed, 40 3/8; No. 2 feed, 40 3/8; No. 3 feed, 40 3/8; No. 4 feed, 40 3/8; No. 5 feed, 40 3/8; No. 6 feed, 40 3/8.

Barley—No. 3 c.w. 69 3/4; No. 4 c.w. 67 3/4; rejected 62; feed 61 1/4; track 69 3/4.

Flour—Manitoba spring wheat, firsts, \$8.50.

ROLLED OATS—Bag 90 lbs. \$3.00.

MALTED—Barley, \$32.50; shorts, \$30.00.

HAY—No. 2, per ton, car lots, \$29 to \$30.00.

CHEESE—Finest Easterns, 16.

BUTTER—Choice creamery, 37 to 38.

EGGS—Selected, 34.

POTATOES—Per bag, car lots, 85 to 90.

1922 Victory Loan 100.00.

1923 Victory Loan 100.00.

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