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Another Operation Avoided.

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FINANCIAL WORLD

BACHES' WEEKLY REPORT

Advantages of Investigating the "Money Trust."

The value of the final disposition of the Money Trust inquiry, relegated mainly to the committee on Banking and Currency, lies in the facts which will undoubtedly be brought out during the sessions, regarding the National Reserve Association's plan, its workings, its control, and its results as an efficient reform of the Banking and Currency System. It will be shown that the very things apparently dreaded by the investigators will be largely remedied by the operation of the Aldrich Plan, which organizes all the banks of the country into a banking trust, controlled by the Federal Reserve Bank, making them independent of the Federal Reserve Bank, and establishing a method of utilizing the scattered, and practically wasted, banking power of the country, in an economic and economical way, that has been sadly needed in the United States for at least fifty years.

This investigation is perhaps the best way of educating Congress and the country on the real conditions of our defective banking and currency system.

The Congressmen's wish is for a public investigation. But private and astute study of the currency question, if undertaken earnestly, would bring nearly all of the same conclusions as those arrived at by the committee on Banking and Currency, namely, that the National Reserve Association plan is economically sound, perfectly efficient, and fills, in a most remarkable manner, the peculiar banking needs of the United States.

Politicians look upon the alleged Money Trust as a large and looming black animal, puffed up with malice and pacing up and down the wilds of Wall Street, seeking whom it may devour.

They find shadowy evidences of its presence but have not yet been able to exactly locate the monster. As a banker said the other day they find foot prints of the animal but have never seen its foot.

There is one way in which the power of the various aggregations of Money-Control will be lessened, and that is through the formation and operation of a discount market under the Aldrich plan.

This is made possible by the provision which permits banks, instead of discounting customers' notes, to accept the drafts of the customer, making a charge for accepting. The customer may then take this bank acceptance and send it down to the largest money market, to be turned into cash at a very low rate.

The banks which gather together in New York will eagerly seek such high class paper as these bank acceptances, and vast sums of money which collect in New York, running into large idle bank balances, are, to a very great extent, in control by aggregations of capital, and as the balances would be largely reduced, so in proportion would also the resources of the Money Power.

All these things will come out under the same probe of the house committee on banking and currency, and for the good of the country the sooner they come out the better.

Politics.

The retirement of LaFollette marks the downfall of insurgency. This cult never had real power for existence, and its best tenets are included, as far as they should be advocated, in the policies of the president. Mr. Taft, if he is alive and well, will undoubtedly be the Republican nominee, and will receive the Democratic nomination in still clouded uncertainty.

The tariff discussions are coming to be recognized merely as efforts to manufacture political powder, and will, it is expected, be exploded noisily when Mr. Taft vetoes such bills as may be wormed through on schedules which have not been passed upon by the tariff board.

The expectation that this will put the expenditure in a hole will fall sadly short of fulfillment.

The Railroads.

A year ago when the eastern roads were complaining of bad business, as western roads were apparently unaffected by depressed circumstances. This condition of things has now been reversed. The west is feeling the wave of depression, which always reaches the northwest, and the Pacific coast, in addition to this, the strike of shopmen on the Illinois Central and the Union and Southern Pacific is, it is said, causing considerable expense. Labor, however, is also exploding, and this condition of things is not expected to last much longer.

The St. Paul half-yearly statement is of great interest at the moment, as this was the first important road to reduce dividends. It shows earnings of about 2 1/2 per cent. on the common stock for the six months to December 31st. For these six months the maintenance allowance was more liberal than for the same period a year before, but transportation costs were

PRODUCE PRICES IN CANADIAN CENTRES

Montreal, Feb. 12.—OATS—Canadian Western No. 2, 53 1/2 to 54; No. 3, 51 1/2 to 52; extra No. 1 feed, 52 1/2 to 53; No. 2 local white, 51 to 51 1/2; No. 3 local white, 50 to 50 1/2; No. 4, local white, 49 to 49 1/2.

FLOUR—Manitoba spring wheat patents, firsts, \$5.60; seconds, \$5.10; strong bakers, \$4.90; winter patents, \$4.85 to \$5.10; straight rollers, \$4.40 to \$4.50; straight rollers, bags, \$2.05 to \$2.15.

MILLFEED—Bran, \$24; shorts \$26 to \$27; middlings, \$28; mouillie, \$28 to \$29.

HAY No. 2, per ton, car lots, \$15 to \$15.50.

POTATOES, per bag, car lots, \$1.70 to \$1.80.

smaller by \$1,500,000, showing that the level-headed management of this road did not allow itself to be diverted by prospects of decreased earnings from proper expenditure for the good of the road, and at the same time exerted its economy in the right direction of lowering carrying costs. For the month of December the increase in net revenue was \$479,000. The outlook for the coming six months is, from the point of view of the management, not very favorable, but it is expected that the 5 per cent. on the common stock will be earned for the year.

Southern Pacific and Union Pacific both show the wave of depression alluded to above, both in the December increase of earnings and in the decrease for six months ending December 31st. Undoubtedly, however, the strike expenses alluded to above helped these decreases.

The South is only fairly holding its own. Atlantic Coast Line and Louisville and Nashville showing about even or with slight gains, and Atchafalaya and Rock Island evidencing declines from corresponding periods a year ago.

Southern Railway, however, shows such favorable returns that an increase in dividends to shareholders is announced. In the first half of the current fiscal year the balance earned for preferred dividends was \$500,000, or \$2.75 per share, or at the rate of \$14 per share per annum.

The rising wave of increased railroad earnings in the East is shown in the statements of the leading roads there. Baltimore and Ohio shows a gain of \$550,000 for December over last year and a gain for the six months of \$1,500,000.

New York, New Haven and Hartford shows an increase of \$500,000 over December a year ago, and for the six months an increase of only \$498,000, indicating the whole amount of increase to have been gained in December—its itself an evidence of the upward trend of the wave.

Pennsylvania shows a similar condition, the loss for the six months amounting to \$3,500,000, at the gain in December footing up \$1,270,000. Here again the recent upward trend of the wave is shown.

Great Northern is the one exception in the Western roads, showing a remarkable increase for the six months of \$2,788,000.

Business and Markets.

Steel and iron business is again showing sparkles of returning activity after the natural reaction from the first spurt upward in December. The report of the Copper Producers' Association, with reduction in surplus for the month double the expected figures, is further evidence of the irresistible trend in this metal. The surplus is now reduced to only two weeks' supplies for current business.

Conservatism still prevails in many lines of business, but there is a better feeling and moderately hopeful expectation of spring activity.

With the supplies of the whole country at rock bottom levels, only the fact of manufacturing over-capacity would keep down an aggressive boom in trade, provided also that the political situation were clearer.

As it is, however, the outlook for a very good spring awakening is favorable and the stock market should, before long, begin to forecast this.

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Canadian Pacific, 100 @ 288, 25 @ 228 1/4, 50 @ 228, 25 @ 228 1/4, 20 @ 228 1/2, 50 @ 228 1/4, 150 @ 228, 50 @ 228 1/4.

Soo, 25 @ 131, 25 @ 131 1/8, 34 @ 131.

Detroit, 15 @ 58 3/4.

Donation Iron Pfd., 5 @ 105.

Donation Steel, 100 @ 60, 35 @ 60 1/4, 50 @ 60 1/8, 70 @ 60, 5 @ 60 1/4.

Montreal Power, 75 @ 189.

Scotiabank, 5 @ 120.

Ogilvie Pfd., 20 @ 120.

Winnipeg, 75 @ 267, 1 @ 265 1/2, 100 @ 268, 1 @ 266 1/2, 50 @ 268, 25 @ 267.

Ogilvie, 30 @ 125.

Steel, 25 @ 33 1/2.

Canadian Pacific—Rights, 300 @ 14, 5 @ 7 3/8, 10 @ 7 1/4, 370 @ 7 1/8, 3 @ 7 1/2, 5 @ 7 1/2, 163 @ 7 1/8, 100 @ 7 1/8, 3 @ 7 1/4, 70 @ 7 1/8, 5 @ 7 1/2, 25 @ 7 1/8, 5 @ 7 1/4.

Pennam Pfd., 100 @ 88.

Rio, 75 @ 112 1/4, 25 @ 112.

Crown Reserve, 50 @ 300, 100 @ 298.

Toronto Rails, 40 @ 134.

Paint Pfd., 4 @ 94 3/4, 75 @ 94 1/2, 1 @ 95.

Sawyer Massey, 15 @ 40.

Textile Bonds "A", 250 @ 95 1/2.

Textile Bonds "C", 2,000 @ 96 3/4.

Donation Iron Bonds, 1,000 @ 95.

Donation Cotton Bonds, 500 @ 102.

Commerce Bank, 100 @ 217, 20 @ 217 1/2, 10 @ 218.

Molson's Bank, 1 @ 210 1/4.

Quebec Bank, 25 @ 121 7/8, 45 @ 132, 25 @ 132 1/2, 25 @ 133 1/2, 8 @ 134, 45 @ 135, 130 @ 137, 29 @ 137, 1 @ 138.

Royal Bank, 10 @ 233.

Merchants Bank, 34 @ 198 1/2.

Bank of Nova Scotia, 3 @ 275.

Afternoon Sales.

Cement Com., 5 @ 30, 2 @ 30 1/2, 25 @ 29 3/8, 15 @ 29 1/2, 1 @ 30, 25 @ 29 3/8.

Cement Pfd., 100 @ 88 1/8.

Soo, 25 @ 131 1/4.

Bell Phone, 3 @ 147 1/2.

Canadian Pacific, 5 @ 228 1/2, 50 @ 228 3/4, 75 @ 228 7/8.

Detroit, 50 @ 58 3/4.

Donation Steel, 25 @ 60 1/8, 20 @ 60 1/4.

Montreal Power, 15 @ 189.

Ottawa Power, 12 @ 121.

Steel, 25 @ 33 1/2.

Canadian Pacific Rights, 57 @ 7 1/4, 7 @ 7 1/2, 9 @ 7 1/4, 1 @ 8.

Crown Reserve, 100 @ 296, 200 @ 297.

Paint Pfd., 20 @ 95.

Toronto Rails, 25 @ 134.

Textile Bonds "B", 500 @ 100.

Quebec Bonds, 145 @ 138, 10 @ 137 3/4.

Royal Bank, 7 @ 232.

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February 11.

Morning Sales.

Mex. Northern—50 at 18, 5 at 18, 10 at 17 1/2, 100 at 18 1/4.

Mex. Northern Bonds—2,000 at 61 1/2.

Can. Power Bonds—1,000 at 76 1/2.

Spanish River Pfd.—19 at 85.

Debentures—1 at 83 1/2.

Afternoon Sales.

LaRose—200 at 380.

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Can. Light Bonds—76 1/2.

Spanish River Pfd.—85.

Mex. Northern—18 1/2.

Mex. Northern Bonds—61 1/2.

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Can. Cement—29 3/4.

Can. Cement Pfd.—88 1/4.

Can. Pac. Rail.—229.

Crown Reserve—296.

Detroit United—58 3/4.

Dom. Steel Pfd.—104 1/2.

Dom. Steel—60 1/4.

Dom. Textile—66 1/2.

Mont. Power—90.

Mont. Steel—226 1/4.

N. S. Steel—94 1/4.

Ogilvie Com.—125.

Ottawa Power—150.

Quebec Har.—50.

Rich. and Ont.—121 1/4.

Rio Janeiro—112 1/2.

Tor. Railway—123 1/2.

Twin City—106.

Banks.

Royal—232.

Nova Scotia—276 1/2.

Merchants—198 1/2.

Quebec—138 1/2.

Molson's—212 1/2.

Montreal—245.

MONTREAL'S NEW
COUNCIL LOSES NO
TIME IN STARTING

Montreal, Feb. 12.—The new city council held its first meeting today the event being preceded by a great deal of ceremonial, the late Mayor delivering a valedictory, while the Mayor-elect outlined his intention and was followed by the aldermen-elect, who also outlined theirs.

The meeting was featured by the actions of the two aldermen-elect, who were so fiercely opposed by the Citizens' Reform Association, Mederic Martin, M. P., and Nap Giroux.

The former gave notice of a motion for the abolition of the Board of Control and a return to the old system of

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