BULL MOVEMENT IN STOCK MARKET FORCES GENERAL RISE IN EARLY NEW YORK TRADE

PRICES CHECKED IN GENERAL TRADE

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Wall Street, New York, Feb. 21.—The striking movements of yesterday were reproduced in some of the markets today. Sterling went only

slightly higher. Francs and lire halted in their rise. In the commodity markets, too, the upward drift abated, and cotton options went lower. There was nothing unusual in any of these developments. They were simply the normal action of speculative markets which had risen very abruptly, so that tempting profits had accumulated. In the stock market the check was not apparent until well along in the day. For the first half of the session operations for the rise went on vigorously in the industrial section.

Steel shares were taken upon a revival of interest in the negotiations for a merger between some of the independent companies. Steel common surpassed its previous high of the season.

New high records were also made in the equipment group, in some of the leather and woolen shares and in a variety of specialties. But in nearly all instances the fresh up-bidding of prices induced heavy realizing sales which had some effect as the day went on. New York Traction securities, both bonds and stocks, were badly upset by the report of the transit commission on the revelation of properties, which set the several totals very much below those given on the books of the companies. In the case of Third Avenue, the estimated property value figured out quite a bit less than the total market value of its securities as this has been standing up to today. Opponents of private ownership will doubtless find in the report of a good deal new material, for it certainly supports the charge of gross over-capitalization.

The most important contribution furnished by the news of the day was the account of steel conditions given in the weekly reviews of trade journals. Buying of both pig iron and of steel has been on the increase and the steel corporation for the first time is operating at over 50 per cent capacity. It is evident that the heavy purchases to supply the railway equipment makers have forced the hands of other consumers who have been letting their stocks get down too low. But the more essential fact is the corroboration of the view that the second phase of the general trade revival is getting under way. These latest steel reports likewise help to show that the recent advance on the stock exchange has been a logical movement.

It was the stock market which gave the best account of itself. Under the test of speculative realizing prices had rather wavered in the early afternoon, but the control of interests working for the advance was demonstrated in the final hour. Then what little tendency to ragging had begun to appear was quickly checked by diverting interest into new quarters.

The high priced rails were brought to the fore under the lead of Canadian Pacific and Union Pacific. Then the buying shifted more into the non-dividend railway shares. Meanwhile U. S. Steel common kept on with its remarkable advance and the concentration of energies upon those particular stocks leased selling to slacken on the rest of the list.

The stock market today was not as broad as that of yesterday in the sense that not as many issues participated in the re-rise, but the forces making for higher prices again proved their control of the situation. The market had to absorb heavy profit-taking sales, but did it so successfully and the day wound up with a brilliant demonstration in which Steel common and Studebaker, among the industrials, and Rock Island, St. Louis and Southwestern and Canadian Pacific among the rails were the central figures.

Fire Insurance Men At Annual Banquet

The second annual banquet and meeting of the fire insurance exchange of Portland was held last evening at the Portland hotel. About 200 members of the exchange attended. An interesting program was rendered during the evening, which was arranged by T. E. Rockwell, chairman of the entertainment committee.

To serve with the holdover executive committee consisting of Phil Grossmayer, L. A. West Jr., Ferry Smith and Merle G. Campbell, the following new members were elected: T. E. Rockwell, S. D. Schall, R. G. Effinger, John C. Burgard and J. L. Webster. At the next meeting of the exchange thiscommittee will elect the officers for the ensuing year, in appreciation of the services rendered during the past year, Howard L. White, retiring president, and Cass Campbell, Stanley G. Jewett, Charles F. Millman and Harvey Wells, retiring members of the executive committee, were presented rifts in behalf of the exchange.

A. C. Barber, state fire insurance commissioner, was the principal speaker of the evening. Hert E. Haney and Robert R. Rankin also addressed the exchange.

NEW INCORPORATIONS

Salem, Or., Feb. 21.—William B. Hamilton, Dr. Morris M. Dow and B. F. Lindas of Medford have filed with the state corporation department here articles of incorporation for the Medford Hospital supply, capitalized at $7000.

Other corporations filing articles are:

Dunn & Baker, Portland, $30,000, C. A. Dunn, J. M. Baker and Karl Herbring.

Chewaucan Fairvale Electric company, Paisley, Lake county, $15000, W. B. Snider, John B. Elder and H. A. Brattain.

Renard Electric company, Medford, $1000, Charles Renard, Edna Rendard and B. F. Lindas.

The Dry Creek Cooperative Exchange, Prineville, $1000, W. F. King, W. W. Davis, F. S. Hoffman and others.

BOSTON COPPER SHARES

(Reported by Overbeck & Cooke Co.)

	Bid.	Ask.		Bid.	Ask.
Adventure	55	60	Mass. Con.	2¼	2⅞
Ahmeek	61	63	Mohawk	55	56
Algomah	20	50	Nipissing	5⅜	6
Allouez	24	25	O. D. Cop.	24	25
Arcadian	2	2⅜	Osceola	2	2¼
Bing. Mex.	13¼	13½	Quin. Mng.	2¾	4
Balaklala		6	PondCreek	15	15½
Cal.&Aris.	58½	59½	S. Lake	44¼	45½
Cal.&Hec.	278	280	Sup.Boston	1	1¼
Centennial		12	U. S. Mch.	37⅝	38
Cop. Rge.	41	42	do pfd.	25	25½
Davis Daly	7	7¼	Utah	3	5
Daly West	2½	3	Shattuck	7⅜	8⅛
E. Butte	10⅛	10¾	Tuolumme	55	60
Frank Mg.	1⅝	2	Utah Metals	2¼	2¾
Helvetia	1⅝	2	Utah Con.	2	2¼
Indiana	40	50	U. S. Mng.	33½	34½
Isl. Creek	87	87⅝	do pfd.	43	43⅝
do pfd.	87	89	Utah Apex	3	3¼
Keewanaw	99	101⅛	Ventura	22	22¾
Lake Cop.	3	3⅛	Winona	40	50
La Salle	1⅜	1⅞	Wolverine	10½	11
Michigan	1⅜	1⅝	Wyandott	70	77

Mint Growers Hold Meeting

Gervais, Or., Feb. 21.—There was a well attended annual meeting of the Oregon Mint Growers' Cooperative association held at the Commercial club rooms at Corvallis, Or., on Saturday, February 18, 1922. After the regular routine of business was dispensed with and the secretary-treasurer made his annual report, the board members for the coming year were named as follows: E. B. Wallace, Albany; T. Q. Green, Coburg; Bird Rickard, Monroe; J. W. Turnadge, Jefferson; Mark Aspenwall, Salem, Route 9, and G. J. Moisan, Gervais. The seventh director, Dean A. Zeiffe of the pharmacy department at O. A. C., Corvallis, will be appointed by the board at their first meeting in March. Officers for this board will be elected from the board members at the same time.

Ashland Store Sold

Ashland, Feb. 21.—The Ferguson dry goods store closed out the entire stock to C. J. Perrine on last Saturday. The Ferguson store has been one of the most popular for the past 11 years in Ashland. L. P. Ferguson, the owner, has been an active force in the upbuilding of the city, having served two terms as president of the local Chamber of Commerce.

Ward Common Sealed

Chicago, Feb. 21.—Montgomery-Ward stockholders have approved plans calling down the common stock to $10 par, thereby permitting the transfer of $16,967,328 from capital to surplus on wiping out capital impairment of $7,-077,640 and providing profit and loss surplus of $9,189,737.

Money and Exchange

New York, Feb. 21.—(I. N. S.)—Call money on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange today ruled at 5 per cent; high, 5 per cent; low, 4½ per cent. Time money was steady. Rates were: 4½@5 per cent. The market for prime mercantile paper was steady. Call money in London today was 2¾ per cent. Sterling exchange was strong with business in bankers' bills at $4.39⅝ for demand.

Foreign Exchange Market

New York, Feb. 21.—(U. P.)—Demand sterling opened today at $4.39⅛; francs, .0915⅛; lire, .0502½; marks, .0045⅝; kronen, .2087. The market closed steady.

NEW YORK BOND TRANSACTIONS

Reported by The Journal's Wall Street Bureau

Wall Street, New York, Feb. 21.—The street heard today that bankers here expect to negotiate a Dutch loan shortly. Premium announcements indicate that the loan will be a straight accommodation to The Netherlands government in form of guilders and will probably be for 75,000,000 to 100,000,000 guilders, to run for 50 years and yielding between 6 and 6½ per cent. The syndicate handling the $1,690,400 Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway company 6 per cent equipment gold notes recently purchased from the director general of railroads, reports the complete sale of the bonds. Spencer Trask company succeeded in disposing of Dominick & Dominick and a block of Detroit Edison company capital stock at the market, issued to yield about 7½ per cent.

New York, Feb. 21.—Total sales of bonds on the stock exchange today were $13,984,000, against $18,372,000 yesterday, $13,785,000 a week ago, holiday a year ago, and $14,342,000 two years ago. From January 1 to date $660,-715,000, against $459,190,000 a year ago, and $586,764,000 two years ago.

High, low and closing prices are given. (In $1000):

LIBERTY BONDS

	Mature.	High.	Low.	Close.
Liberty 3½s	32-47	97.00	96.86	96.96
do reg.	32-47	96.80	96.80	96.80
do 2d 4s	27-42	96.58	96.54	96.54
do 1st 4¼s	32-47	97.00	96.84	96.90
do reg.	32-47	96.80	96.80	96.80
do 2d 4¼s	27-42	96.74	96.54	96.60
do reg.	27-42	96.66	96.52	96.66
do 3d 4¼s	28	97.50	97.30	97.32
do reg.	28	97.50	97.50	97.50
do 4th 4¼s	38	96.10	96.94	96.46
do reg.	38	97.04	96.80	96.80
Victory 4¾s	22-23	100.30	100.26	100.26
do reg.	22-23	100.12	100.12	100.12
do 3¾s	22-23	100.14	100.00	100.14

FOREIGN BONDS

Argentine Govt. 6s	'45	78⅛	78⅛	78⅛
King. of Belgium 7½s	'45	107⅝	107¼	107⅝
do 8s	'41	106½	106¼	106½
do 6s	'25	102	100½	101⅞
Chinese Govt. Rys. 5s	'51	50	48½	50
City of Bergen 8s	'45	108	108	108
City of Berne 8s	'45	110½	110	110½
City of Bordeaux 6s	'34	84¾	83⅝	84
City of Copenhagen 5½s	'44	89¾	88	88
City of Lyons 6s	'34	84¼	83⅝	84¼
City of Marseilles 6s	'34	84¼	83⅝	84¼
City of R. de Janeiro 8s	'46	100⅝	100½	100½
City of Zurich 8s	'45	111	110¼	111
Danish Mun. 8s A	'46	107½	107	107½
Dutch E. I. 6s	'46	94¾	94	94¾
Dominican Republic 5s	'58	88¾	88½	88¾
Do. of Can. 5½ notes	'29	99	98⅝	99
Dominion of Canada 5s	'26	97⅝	97⅜	97⅝
do 5s	'31	96¼	96	96¼
Republic of Cuba 4½s	'49	79	79	79
Republic of Uruguay 8s	'46	105	104½	105
State of Quald 7s	'47	107	106¾	106⅞
do 6s	'46	96	95⅞	96
Swiss Govt. 8s	'45	115	114½	115
State of Sao Paulo 8s	'36	101⅞	101½	101⅜
United Kingdom 5½s	'22	105⅝	105⅛	105⅜
do 5s	'29	106	105⅛	106
do 5½s	'37	100	99⅛	99⅜
Rio Gr. Do 8s		100⅛	100	100⅜
U. S. of Brazil 8s	1941	103⅜	103⅛	103⅜
U. S. of Mexico 5s	1945	55⅜	55⅜	55⅛
do large 5s		53	53	53
do 4s	1954	44⅛	44¼	44¼
N. Y. City 4½s	1963	104⅛	104⅛	104⅛

RAILWAY AND MISCELLANEOUS BONDS

Adams Exp. col. tr. 4s	'48	75	75	75
Am. Agr. Chem. 7½s	'41	100⅞	100½	100½
Am. Smelt. 5s	1947	89½	88⅝	89⅝
Am. Tel. & Tel. cvt. 6s	'25	112¾	111⅞	112⅛
do col. tr. 5s	1946	96⅜	96	96⅛
Amer. Sugar 6s		97¼	97⅛	97⅜
Am. T. & T. cvt. 4½s	'33	97⅛	97⅛	97⅛
do 4s	'29	88	88	88
Am. Wtr. Ppr. s. f. 6s	'39	82	81⅜	81⅝
Amr. & Co. ref. 4½s	'39	88¼	88⅛	88⅛
A. T. & S. F. gen. 4s	'95	87⅜	87⅛	87⅜
do adj. 4s	'95	80⅛	80⅛	80⅛
do E. O. 4s	'28	92⅜	92⅛	92⅛
At. Cst. Ln. 7s	'30	105⅝	105⅝	105⅝
do & N. O. l. tr. 4s	'52	78⅛	78⅛	78⅛
Atl. Frt. cvt. 7s	'34	28⅛	28	28⅛
Atlas Pdr. 7½s	'36	103⅛	103⅛	103⅛
B. & O. 6s	'29	96⅛	96	96⅜
do ref. 5s	'95	78¼	78	78⅛
do. cvt. 4½s	'33	76⅛	76	76
do. gold 4s	'48	78	77⅞	78
Bell Tel. of Pa. 7s	'45	108⅛	108	108⅛
Beth. Stl 1st ext. 5s	'26	96	96	96
do ref. 5s	'42	93¼	93⅛	93⅛
do m. 5s	'36	88⅝	88	88⅛
Bk. Ed. gen 5s, sr. D.	'30	107⅛	107⅛	107⅛
do 5s	'40	92¼	91½	92¼
B. R. T. 5s	'45	39⅝	39½	38⅝
do 7s	'21	65½	65	65⅛
do Tr. Co. ctfs.	'21	65	65	65
do ctfs. st.	'21	61⅛	61½	61⅛
Bush Term Bldg. 5s	'60	89½	88⅛	89
Can. Nth. deb. 6½s	'46	108¼	108	108⅛
Can. Pac. deb. 4s	'49	78	77⅜	77⅞
Cent. of Ga. Ry. 6s	'29	96½	96½	96½
Cent. Ga. Ry. con. 5s	'45	94	94	94
Cent. Leather gen. 5s	'25	95½	94⅝	95⅛
Cent. Pacific gtd. 3½s	'39	87¼	87¼	87⅛
do gtd. 4s	1949	82⅝	82⅜	82⅜
Cent. R. R. N. J. 5s	'87	105½	105½	105½
Cerro de Pasco cvt. 8s	'31	110⅛	110	110⅛
Ches. & Ohio cvt. 5s	'46	85½	85	85⅜
do gen. 4½s	1992	83¼	83¼	73¾
C. & A. Jct. Ry. 3s	1949	55½	55½	55½
do 3½s	1950	39½	39½	39⅝
C. B. & Q. gen. 4s		86⅝	86⅜	86⅝
do ref. 5s		97	97	97
do joint 6½s	1958	106⅝	106½	106⅛
do 5s		102	102	102
do of 1951		71⅝	71⅜	71½
C. & E. I. gen. 5s tr. Co. ctfs.	1937	103	105	105
Chicago Gt. W. 4s	'59	61	61	61
Chi. Ind. & Ltv. 5s	'47	91½	91⅛	91⅛
C.M.&St.P. g. m. 4½s	'89	81	81	81
C. M. & S. P. cvt. 4½s	'32	63	62⅜	62⅝
do rfg. 4½s	'14	58	57⅛	57⅛
do 4s	'25	71⅛	71	71⅛
do deb. 4s	'34	58⅝	58⅛	58⅛
do 4s Puget Sound	'49	65⅜	65⅜	65⅜
C. & N. W. gen. 5s	'87	101	101	101
do 6½s	'36	106⅝	106⅜	106⅜
do G. M. 4s	'87	101	101	101
Chicago Rys. Co. 5s	'27	70¼	70⅛	70⅛
C. R. I. & P. gen. 4s	'88	81⅜	81⅛	81⅜
do rfg. 4s	'34	78¼	77⅞	77⅞
Chicago Union Station 4½s		90	90	90
do 6½s	'63	113	113	113
Chgo. & W. Ind. 7½s	'35	109⅞	109⅝	109⅝
do 4s	'52	70⅛	70⅛	70⅛
Chile Copper cvt. 7s	'23	101	100⅝	101
do col. tr. 6s	'32	85⅝	85	85
C. C. C. & St. L. deb. 4½s s. A	'63	90	90	90
do gen. 4½s	1993	88	88	88
do rfg. 4s	'93	79	79	79
do ref. 6s	'26	97	97	97
do 5s	'28	93	93	93
do 4s	'28	82¼	82¼	82¼
do col. tr. 4s	'52	68	68	68
do rfg. 4s	'59	68	68	68
do ref. 4s	'77	68	68	68
do gen. 4s	'93	68	68	68
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do 4s	2091	68	68	68
do 4s	2092	68	68	68
do 4s	2093	68	68	68
do 4s	2094	68	68	68
do 4s	2095	68	68	68
do 4s	2096	68	68	68
do 4s	2097	68	68	68
do 4s	2098	68	68	68
do 4s	2099	68	68	68
do 4s	2100	68	68	68

WALL STREET STOCK QUOTATIONS

Reported by Overbeck & Cooke Co., Board of Trade Building

(Wall Street Bureau of The Journal)

Wall Street, Feb. 21.—The steel stocks were very uneven in their movement today. Steel common pushed across 93, which meant new high ground for the present advance. Much attention was given to the statement quoted this morning on authority of the Iron Trade Review that the negotiations for a merger of independent companies have been proceeding without a break and are now entering their final stage. Whether it is to be a three-company or an eight-company consolidation has yet to be determined. The street has all along felt that some smaller concerns would first be joined up, and that later this merger would develop into a union with some of the larger companies. It was the revival of interest in the union of steel independents which was responsible for the bidding up of Vanadium and Replogle and for the buying which was noticed for a time in Midvale and Lackawanna.

Sales.	STOCKS—	High.	Low.	Bid.
400	Adams Exp.	.....	.....	62½
.....	Advance Rum	.....	.....	15
200	do. pfd.	36¼	35	35½
2600	Agr. Chem.	35⅝	35	35⅝
400	do. pfd.	58	57½	57½
700	Alas. Rubber	15⅝	15¼	15⅝
200	Alaska Gold	½	⅜	⅜
500	Alaska Juneau	⅝	⅝	⅝
3000	Allied Chem.	59	58½	58¾
500	Allis-Chalmers	44½	44⅜	44⅝
.....	do. pfd.	.....	.....	91½
200	Am. Beet Sug.	36	36	36
1000	Am. Bosch	38⅝	38¼	37⅜
5800	Am. Can. Co.	40⅝	40½	40⅝
100	do. pfd.	99	99	99
5200	Am. C. & Fdy.	150⅝	149½	150
100	do. pfd.	116	116	116
3800	Am. Cot. Oil	23⅜	22⅝	23
200	do. pfd.	46	46	46
1000	Am. Drg. Synd.	5⅜	5⅜	5¼
2200	Am. H. & L.	15⅝	14½	14⅜
1700	do. pfd.	68⅛	67½	67½
4400	Am. Ice	101½	99½	101½
12500	Am. Inti. Corp.	45⅛	44⅛	43
2100	Am. Linseed	33⅜	32⅝	33¼
200	do. pfd.	57⅛	56⅜	57
800	Am. Loco.	111¼	110⅛	110⅜
100	do. pfd.	115	115	114
900	Am. Saf. Razor	4	3⅝	3⅞
300	Am. Shipb. & C.	12⅝	11⅜	11⅜
1200	Am. Smelter	46⅜	45½	45⅝
200	do. pfd.	90⅜	90⅜	90
100	Am. Snuff	130	130	130
2600	Am. Steel Fdy.	32⅛	31½	31⅝
1700	Am. Sug.	67½	66⅜	67⅛
.....	do. pfd.	.....	.....	95¾
2900	Am. Sumatra	26½	25⅝	26
5400	Am. Tel. & Tel.	119⅞	119⅜	119⅝
3000	Am. Tobacco	140	138⅝	140
1100	Am. Tobacco "B"	137	134⅝	136½
12600	Am. Wool	86	83⅞	85½
.....	do. pfd.	.....	.....	103½
100	Am. W. P. pfd.	24⅜	24⅛	24⅛
100	Am. Zinc	13⅜	13⅛	14⅛
4300	Anaconda	48⅜	47⅞	48⅛
500	Asso. Oil	103	101	103
2800	Atchison	97⅞	97	97¼
600	do pfd.	85⅝	85	85
600	Atl. Gulf & W. I. Line	25⅝	24⅝	25
4000	Atl. Gulf & W. I.	27¼	24⅞	25⅝
17500	Baldwin Loco.	107¼	106	107
100	do pfd.	107¾	107¼	107¼
2400	Balto. & Ohio	36⅝	36¼	36¼
600	do pfd.	54⅞	54¼	54½
6800	Beth. Steel "B"	64½	63⅝	64½
100	Booth Fish	6	6	6
1000	B. R. T.	10⅝