

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

MARKET SHOWED STRENGTH

New York, June 20.—Mexican Petroleum again was the star performer today's active and strong market. It made an extreme advance of 1 1/2 points, with a net gain of 9 1/2 points—a total of 23 3/4 points above last week's final price.

At times traders seemed to regard the extraordinary operations in "Mex Petroleum" as something of a menace to the general market. However, the opinion still prevailing that the movement was mainly leveled against an extensive short interest.

Other oils in the foreign and domestic groups registered gross advances of 2 to almost 5 points and the independent stocks were equally strong. With the sudden burst of activity at higher levels for United States Steel in the final hour.

Next to the oils Studenbaker was the leading stock in net gain of 8 5/8 points to the year's high record being associated with rumors of increased export dividends in the near future. Baldwin was foremost among the equipment stocks in its gain of 4 3/8 points and the less prominent issues to show material advances included American Express, Pacific Products, Mercantile Marine preferred and common.

Stalls largely until the latter part of the day, when news of the declaration of a regular dividend on Great Northern caused hurried buying of that stock to a gain of 4 3/8 points. Northern Pacific advanced 2 3/4 points and several others and trunks, especially Reading and New Haven, strengthened substantially. Sales totaled 1,050,000 shares.

Developments which accelerated the day's upward trend included a vigorous rebound in leading foreign exchanges, advances from the middle west that steel and iron mills were running behind in deliveries and declaration of initial dividends in Maryland Oil.

The money market followed yesterday's course, save for a few supplies of 20 to 30 day funds. Call loans eased from 3 to 2 3/4 per cent. at mid-day and private offerings of this character were reported at 2 1/2 per cent.

The rally in international currencies carried sterling bills fully 5 cents above yesterday's lowest quotations, while recoveries of 15 to 22 points in French, Italian and Belgian rates were reported. Dutch and all Scandinavian rates adding to yesterday's set-back.

STOCKS.

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exchange proved helpful to the bull side of the market here. An additional reason for the upward swing of wheat values today was that selling from the country against the new crop had been unobscured for some proportion as yet. Bears who had been expecting to take advantage of heaping pressure which usually accompanied the northward sweep of the harvest, were inclined to subscribe to farmers' organizations the comparative absence of rural offerings. Some improvement in domestic output was noted, and the seaboard advised of 500,000 bushels of wheat worked for export.

Corn and oats were mainly influenced by the action of wheat. Good demand for corn for export was said to prevail at the seaboard. Provisions averaged a little higher in line with hog.

Chicago Grain Market. Wheat—High Low, Close. July 112 1/2, 110 1/2, 112 1/2. Sept. 112 1/2, 110 1/2, 112 1/2. Dec. 116 1/2, 114 1/2, 116 1/2.

COLUMBIA. The time has arrived when parties of girls come to the lake for a few days outing. One Wednesday a party said to have come from Bolton lake, billed to the center of the town some of whom were in very abbreviated costume.

PRESTON. Friday night the boys' Y. M. C. A. met at Amos lake for their regular meeting, followed by a banquet. Nearly all the boys were present.

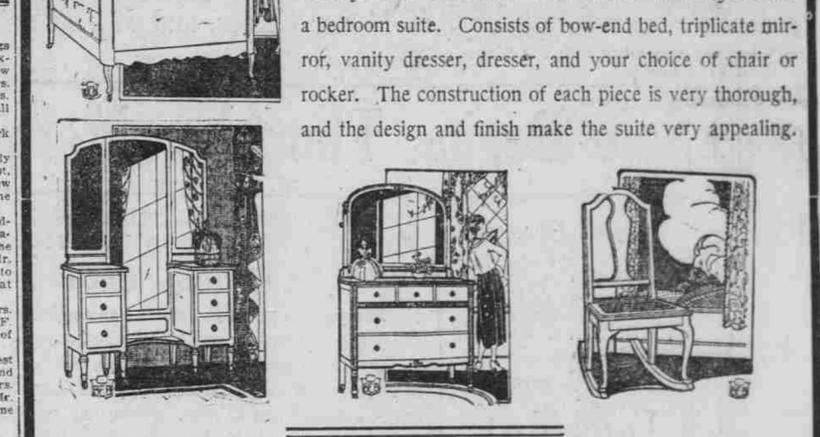
MANSFIELD CENTRE. Children's day was observed Sunday with a program of music and recitations in which about 30 children participated. The songs by the older girls and the recitations by the little children, including Helen Oden, Stedman Stearns, Dorothy Phillips and Leland Hawkins, Alice and Gustave Jensen were especially pleasing. Credit is due Mrs. E. Walker under whose direction the exercises were given. Fourteen little people responded to the call for the credit roll, gathering upon the platform to receive their cards. Four of them were presented diploma as graduates from the Cradle Roll, Helen Oden, Stedman Stearns, Dorothy Phillips and Leland Hawkins. New York City gave his lecture, through the Wildlife of South America. Mr. Miller was intimately acquainted with Theodore Roosevelt, having been the naturalist on the Hudson River expedition, and one of two Americans accompanying the expedition and his son, Kermit. The lecture was illustrated with 15 colored slides from photographs taken by Mr. Miller on his several trips. The lecture abounded in interesting descriptions, thrilling narrations of experiences, and the pictures which were exceptionally clear were of cities, mountains, birds, plants, wild animals, natives, Indians and their habits, cannibals and head hunters. The lecture was enthusiastically received by an audience of about 150, and was the last number of an excellent course of entertainments given by Mr. Miller. The speakers are grateful to Leslie Nichols for helping to make it possible to bring a lecture of this unusual type to Mansfield. Music was furnished by Leslie Nichols and Roxford Crane who motored from Groton for the occasion and Miss Frances Crane.

MANSFIELD DEPOT. Mrs. Elmer Botham still remains at a hospital in Willimantic. Edwin Reynolds Memorial school completed the school year last Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Nelson went to their new home in Andover on Friday. Mrs. Mary Durkee visited at the home of her son in Willimantic on Sunday. Albert Botham visited friends in Hampton last week. William Herberg is working in the farm department of the state institution. Strawberries are getting to be quite plenty. The parsonage gardener picked his first green peas of the season on Saturday. Clifford Botham was at home for the week end. Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Pollard and Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Pollard of Willimantic were at W. H. Pollard's on Monday. The church department of Dunham Memorial church served salad and strawberry supper on Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Martin M. Hansen visited friends in Stafford on Sunday.

EAGLEVILLE. Miss Amy Rogers of New London was at the home of her sister, Mrs. F. O. Vinson, last week. The village school closed the school year last Thursday and sent five scholars to the graduating exercises at Storrs armory on Friday. George T. Deas, Edwin B. Slater, Walter Thompson, Marion McKernon, Helen Demore and Nellie Thompson. The latter delivered an essay on Robert William Service.

Specials

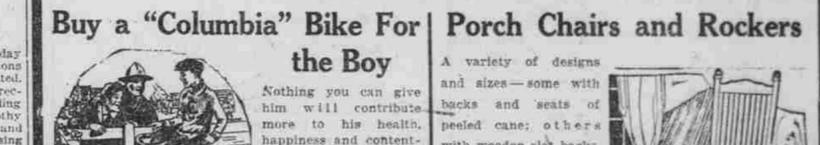
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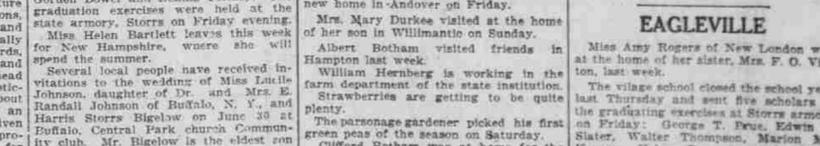
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