

Timid Buying Boosts Stocks Moderately; Ticker Tape Loafs

By Victor Eubank Associated Press Financial Writer NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—Modest recoveries ruled in today's final stock market session of the week and month.

Some short covering and other timid bidding by professionals was based on the idea the list may have been oversold and had pretty well discounted a lot of disconcerting news.

Most brokerage customers continued to hold aloof or trim commitments because of doubts regarding critical international situations, the business outlook, taxes and labor.

The ticker tape loafed during the greater part of the two hours. While declines persisted for assorted leaders, advances of fractions to a point or so were widely distributed near the close.

Occasional stumblers included United States Steel, Studebaker, Woolworth, Schenley, American Smelting, Air Reduction, Paramount Pictures, Atlantic Coast Line and Great Northern Railway.

In the curb Hubbell hardened on a proposed splitup. Supported were Croire Petroleum, Fairbanks Engine and Falstaff. Lacking sound bids were Bohack, National Fuel Gas and Bunker Hill.

Czech (Continued From First Page.) rally, sounded a keynote of a campaign against "domestic and foreign reaction."

3. The Communist regime extended its influence to the schools. The Communist party Rude Praco said classrooms in Bohemia will display pictures of Prime Minister Stalin.

Interference Charged. The three-power denunciation which had appeared in the United States Information Service windows called the Gottwald regime a disguised dictatorship.

The information service is a section of the State Department, but is in a building together with part of town from the American Embassy.

Complete Change Pledged. Meantime, Premier Klement Gottwald promised a complete reversal of this nation in a statement at the opening of a farmers' and peasants' rally here.

The farmers' rally was arranged as a companion piece to a trades union assembly last Sunday. Some observers believed that assembly gave the Premier the last word needed toward getting his party into power.

Prague went all out for the visiting rural Czechs. For the first time in the city's history the film houses stayed open all night so they could see the movies.

Police and factory militia were to march this afternoon in the new governments first martial spectacle in Prague.



NEWBURGH, N. Y.—EDITOR AND REPORTER JAILED FOR COMTEMPT.—News Editor Douglas V. Clarke, 33 (right), and Reporter Charles L. Leonard, 27, of the Newburgh News, are pictured as they drafted a statement for the court yesterday shortly before they were sentenced to serve 10 days in jail and fined \$100 each for refusing to reveal the source of confidential information printed in the News.

Surgeons Remove 18x12 Towel In Woman's Abdomen 2 Years

SAN MATEO, Calif., Feb. 28.—A towel left in the abdomen of a San Francisco woman during a Caesarean operation two years ago has been removed in a recent operation here.

Dr. Harold Marks, Community Hospital superintendent, reported last night that the towel, which had been left in the abdomen of Mrs. Lillian Arthur, 30, wife of Frank Arthur, and the mother of six children, was removed during an operation.

The towel, 18 by 12 inches, bore the name of a Bremerton hospital, Dr. Marks said. It was removed during an operation for a double hernia, the hospital superintendent said.

He quoted the mother as saying she was delivered of twins by Caesarean section in the Bremerton Hospital in April, 1946.

At Bremerton, she said, she suspected that something was wrong and once she was looking for the towel she thought she had left her in her hospital room. But X-ray examinations, she continued, revealed nothing.

Mrs. Arthur said she had been bedridden much of the time since the operation, and had lost 100 pounds and had received numerous blood transfusions.

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Negro Editor Urges Fight for Civil Rights At Forum in Atlanta

ATLANTA, Feb. 28.—A Negro newspaper editor said last night that the time has come to end the fiction of race superiority.

Mr. Pratts and Ralph McGill, editor of the Atlanta Constitution, appeared in an open forum for civil rights sponsored by the Southern Regional Council and the Student-Faculty Conference on Civil Rights of Atlanta University.

While Mr. Pratts said passage of President Truman's recommendations on civil rights necessary to implement provisions of the Constitution, Mr. McGill raised the question "How?"

The forum last night was the climax of an all-day session by the Southern Council on the subject of civil rights session, about 300 educators, church, labor and civic leaders adopted a series of resolutions on the Truman proposals.

The Council also adopted resolutions opposing segregation in education and the proposed establishment of a "Negroes by the various Southern States."

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Mr. Pratts told the forum "the chief opposition to the civil rights legislation is from a group of politicians in the South. These politicians have been the beneficiaries of a system based on prejudice. They are looking to their living."

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Proposal on Admitting Refugees Is Labeled Rationing of Charity

A Senate proposal to let 100,000 European refugees into the United States was labeled "a most careful rationing of charity" by Senator McCarran, Democrat, of Connecticut today.

The proposal was offered by three members of a five-man Senate Judiciary subcommittee as a two-year project, to start next July 1.

It was contained in a preliminary report circulated privately to other members of the full Judiciary Committee. The plan may be changed before the full committee submits its recommendations to the Senate.

A copy of the report handed to a reporter shows two members, Senators Cooper, Republican, of Kentucky and McGrath, Democrat, of Rhode Island, disagreeing with the majority.

Increase Is Urged. Senator Cooper urges that 150,000 persons be admitted over the two-year period. Senator McGrath says the figure should be 300,000 persons.

Senator McCarran, not a member of the Judiciary Committee, told a reporter: "I am much more in sympathy with Senator McGrath's view than I am with that of the majority."

Senator McCarran said the bill is a most careful rationing of charity. The majority's document was written by Senator Revercomb, Republican, of W. Va., chairman of the subcommittee, and Senators J. P. McCarroll, Republican, of Missouri, and McCarran, Democrat, of Nevada.

Truman Request Cited. Last July President Truman asked Congress to pass a law permitting the admission of a limited number of displaced persons to come to the United States as immigrants.

The bill suggested by Senators Revercomb, Donnell and McCarran specifies that at least half of the displaced persons admitted must be natives of countries taken over by a foreign power.

All such persons would have to qualify under United States immigration laws for permanent residence in this country. They would have to possess skills needed in the area where they intended to live.

Mr. Hoover said these funds would provide for enlisting the gun vault, finishing the interior of the last addition to the center, enlarging the dining room, which now has to feed the men in three shifts, and completing air conditioning equipment.

The director told the lawmakers that the FBI had a reserve of \$100,000 at all times. At present, he said, there is an auxiliary dining room some distance from the kitchen with the result that the food is frequently cold when served.

"We have been handicapped under Knott's disadvantages," Mr. Hoover told the House Appropriations Subcommittee.

He explained the Marine Corps made available without cost land for the FBI training base at Quantico.

Director J. Edgar Hoover of the FBI wants to spend \$150,000 in the fiscal year starting July 1 to expand facilities at his training center at the Marine Corps Quantico, Va.

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Chiang May Abandon Manchurian Capital

NANKING, Feb. 28.—Reliable sources reported today that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has decided to abandon the Manchurian capital of Changchun in a desperate effort to save Mukden from the Chinese Communists.

These sources said the isolated garrisons of Changchun, Kirin and Szejangkai, all lying northeast of Mukden's largest city, would be withdrawn presumably by air.

Consular attaches of the United States and Britain left Changchun by plane last month and other Americans were flown to Peiping February 3.

There was no official confirmation of the withdrawal report. Gen. Chiang in the past has strongly opposed proposals to surrender the three big Manchurian outposts, despite the difficulty in continuing their defense.

But the situation at Mukden, where the government's Manchurian defense, was growing steadily worse. Scarcely had government dispatches acknowledged the fall of Yingkou, main government seaport in Southern Manchuria, than other Red forces were reported to have broken into Kaiyuan, on Mukden's northern defense perimeter.

Yingkou's capture dashed government hopes of using the port as a springboard for a counteroffensive in the spring. The city population is 250,000, but it is believed might have been swollen by refugees from rural areas. There have been no reports of foreigners in Yingkou.

China Aid (Continued From First Page.) mitted," the letter said, "that in view of the limited capabilities of the Chinese government, only 8 1/2 groups could be supported."

Transfer of equipment to China was suspended in August, 1946, by Gen. Marshall in his role as special representative of the President.

"Civilian type items, however, were released for transfer 22 October, 1946. Transport aircraft and spare parts for the aircraft were released for transfer on 19 June, 1947. On 16 December, 1947, the Department of State lifted all of the remaining suspension on the transfer to China under the 8 1/2 group program."

Other foreign aid developments include: Chairman Vandenberg called the Senate Foreign Relations Committee into closed session today to discuss procedure in handling the new \$570,000 China aid request.

Chairman Eaton of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, who before backing for Greece and Turkey should be passed without delay, expects to consult House leaders today to get their reactions.

The Senate is all set to begin debate Monday on the four-year recovery program for Western Europe, with \$5,300,000 sought for the first 12 months.

The House Foreign Affairs Committee ended public hearings on the European Recovery Program yesterday afternoon, with Representative Monroney, Democrat, of Oklahoma, recommending the administration's plan to make the first allotment for 15 months, which would require \$6,800,000.

Mr. Monroney went a step further by proposing that \$1,500,000 be added to that figure and earmarked for loans to Europe through the Export-Import Bank.

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Boys' Club Billiard Tourney In Eliminations Stage

Two Washington boys will get chances at paid trips to New York for the Boys' Clubs of America pocket billiards tournament in April, as a result of eliminations now in progress at the Boys' Club of Washington, 261 Seventeenth street, S.E.

Thirty-five boys 14 years old or less took part in junior division eliminations. About the same number in the senior division, 15 to 18, now have initial eliminations under way.

August Mascaro, director of the department of clubs and classes for the Washington club said three high men from each division will take part in regional competition March 5.

One boy in each age group from eight regions will win paid New York trips to take part in a national tournament April 12-14.

The three junior division high scorers, who will take part in the March 5 contest play, are Jimmy Queen, 14, of the East Capitol street; Jerry Schumacher, 10, of 1814 Twenty-eighth street, S.E.; and Gene Tyndall, 8, of 1838 C street, S.E.

House Vote Freezes Social Security Scope

The House voted, 274 to 53, yesterday to freeze the scope of Social Security coverage.

The bill would prevent expansion of the program, under a recent Supreme Court decision, until Congress acts on legislation redefining the scope of the Social Security law.

Representative Eberhardt, Democrat, of Pennsylvania, told the House the bill would deny old-age insurance and unemployment benefits to 750,000 persons who are entitled to such participation under the Supreme Court ruling.

Representative Gearhart, Republican, of California, author of the bill, contended it is intended to keep the security law in line with the original intent of Congress.

Congress, he said, did not originally intend to extend the law to door-to-door salesmen and other "independent contractors."

Mr. Gearhart said the Supreme Court decision, discussing the definition of an employer and employee, had voided the law regarding the intent of Congress in the Social Security law.

He added that he believes Congress soon will pass a law expanding the Social Security coverage into various new fields. But he said this expansion should not take place by judicial action on a Bureau's regulation.

Paulaette Goddard Sues Producers for \$50,000 (Continued From First Page.) LOS ANGELES, Feb. 28.—Paulaette Goddard, the actress, wants Miracle Productions, Inc., to pay her another \$50,000 that she claims is due for her services in the picture, "A Miracle Can Happen."

In a suit filed yesterday, she contended that under a contract signed with Miracle Productions, she was to receive \$100,000 for her work in the film.

She said she was to receive the full amount by last December 1 if the picture had not been distributed by that date.

She received an advance of \$50,000, she said, but the picture was not released by December 1.

Hoffman to Represent Steelworkers Here (Continued From First Page.) PITTSBURGH, Feb. 28.—Frank N. Hoffman, guard on the late Knott football team, yesterday was appointed legislative representative for the CIO United Steelworkers at Washington.

Philip Murray, CIO and Steelworkers president, announced the appointment of Hoffman to the union headquarters here. Mr. Hoffman filed a post vacated a year ago by the resignation of Robert Lamb.

Mr. Hoffman has been serving in the Southwest as one of the union's top directors in political activities.

Weather Report District of Columbia—Warm and windy, and becoming mostly sunny this afternoon with highest temperatures in the lowest 70s. Partly cloudy and somewhat colder with lowest near 40 tonight. Tomorrow fair with diminishing winds and highest temperatures in the upper 40s.

Virginia—Partly cloudy, windy and turning colder tonight. Lowest temperatures ranging from near 30 in the mountains to 40 on the coast. Tomorrow fair and somewhat colder with diminishing winds.

Maryland—Partly cloudy, windy and turning colder tonight with lowest temperature in upper 20s west portion and 30s in east portion. Tomorrow fair and somewhat colder with diminishing winds.

High and low for Washington, D.C. High: 33 at 8:42 a.m. Low: 21 at 11:30 p.m. (From American Automobile Association.) All roads clear in Washington and vicinity.

Potomac River Ferry and at Great Falls. Shenandoah clear at Harpers Ferry.

Humidity. Yesterday. Per cent. Today. Per cent.

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