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COMMODITY COMMENTS

Copper :

December '72 50.90

Propelled by huge pent-up speculative demand Copper futures broke out yesterday of an even narrowing trading range & gained 130 to 160 points. Turnover was a record 3395 contracts, easily superseding the previous mark of 3094 contracts on July 12, 1971. Another 40 points were added today on a new record volume of 3567 contracts.

The bull move in Comex comes against a rather dull backdrop in the fundamental outlook. Figures released by the Copper Institute indicate that Free World producers' refined copper stocks rose 35,774 tons during that period to a record 510,589 tons, against only 379,277 a year ago.

Producer deliveries to fabricators & fabricators' deliveries to users for the January-June period lagged behind those of last year although the basis for comparison are distorted by last year's hedge buying against an industry-wide strike. Fabricators' refined copper stocks on June 30 were reported at 490,113 tons, only 4,615 below a month earlier but off sharply from the year-earlier level of 584,014 which was influenced by hedge-buying.

Finally, copper stocks in LME warehouse rose last week 3,875 tons to a postwar record high of 162,050 tons. The very wide £10-11 contango no doubt plays a very large role in this constant rise as carries become workable.

As suggested in our August 8 Commodity Comments, we went long on the dip to 4880 (Friday August 18, December touched 48.50) basis December '72. For those not nimble enough to buy on the dip, we recommended buying on December penetrating 4985 on heavy volume.

Retain long positions & place protective stops at 50.25 (short term traders) & 49.50 (long term traders).

N. Y. Silver:

December '72 192.20
Comex Warehouse Stocks
96,038,000-224,000 ozs.

The partial lifting of the silver price ceiling & the sluggishness of gold prices had little adverse effect on Silver. Good support was uncovered at the 181.60-182.50 area basis December & partial resistance was found at the year's highs.

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Relatively calm conditions prevailed during most of today with prices backing & filling in an 80-points range until a surge of commission-house & chart buying pushed prices to new contract highs closing with gains of 420 to 440 points.

The massive consolidation left behind augurs very well for the bulls; long term investors should remain long while short term traders should be buyers on small dips. Near term objective lies in the 205-207 area basis December.

Platinum:

January '73 157.30

According to our previous suggestion, we are long Platinum again at 153.00 basis January.

Chrysler's pronouncement that it may be forced to use a platinum or palladium-based catalyst for auto emission control if the 1975 deadline is not relaxed indicates that while substitutes may eventually be found, Platinum remains king for at least the next 18 months. This fact along with the generally bright sentiment prevailing in the metal sector should propel prices to new highs.

Add to existing long positions at the market for a new near term objective at \$170-180/oz. Concentrate in the nearbys as the market is moving into backwardation.

TECHNICAL TRENDS

Cocoa:

September 29.71
December 30.13

Some selling was suggested in our previous comments; we are not entirely happy with the progress of this bull market. Advise retaining long positions but raising stops to 29.55 basis December.

Lumber:

September 138.40

Maintain long positions & raise stops to 133.00

Soybean Oil:

December 10.06

Retain long positions & place stops at 9.86 basis Dec. '72. The transition from a bear market to a bull market is a slow & painful process but should take place within the next two weeks.

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