

Wednesday, 30th September, 1981.

The Gilt Edged market has been quiet and slightly easier today. At the opening prices were about $\frac{1}{8}$ down, but a little selling of longs pushed the market further, so that at one point losses of up to $\frac{1}{2}$ had appeared. In the early afternoon prices rallied somewhat, and in very quiet conditions closing prices showed losses on balance of about $\frac{1}{8}$ in shorts and $\frac{1}{4}$ in longs. The two index-linked stocks came under a little pressure and showed losses of about $\frac{3}{4}$ on the day.

The Industrial market opened easier. Most sectors declined during initial trading but later recovered to close around overnight levels. Price movements were less volatile than yesterday and business conditions were correspondingly quieter. Leading 'blue chip' companies were mainly firm although Dunlop continued to weaken on fading hopes of a Far East takeover. Clearing Banks improved, while Insurance issues fluctuated narrowly. Among Discount House shares, Allen Harvey were better but Cater Ryder fell on the announcement of merger proposals. The Property and Building sectors were dull on revived fears of higher interest rates. Electrical stocks began lower but soon rallied on renewed investment support. Oils and Engineers were generally better on selective demand and Vickers hardened prior to tomorrow's interim results. Kaffirs were marginally easier in line with the gold price.

Financial Times Index (3.00 p.m.) 479.4 (down 1.8)

<u>C.N.D.</u>	Sales		NIL
	Purchases	£	2,781,000
	Nett Purchases on balance	£	2,781,000

<u>BANK</u>	Sales		NIL
	Purchases	£	28,179,000
	Nett Purchases on balance	£	28,179,000