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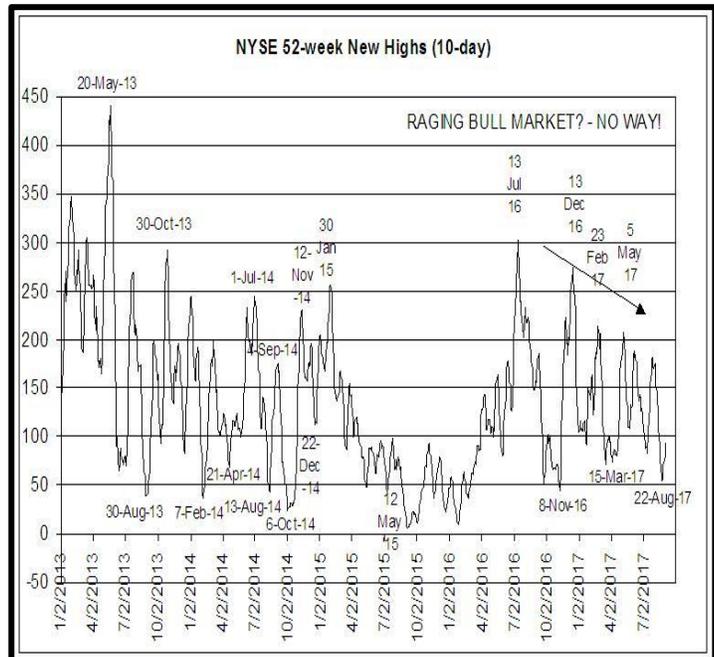
ENTERING the DANGEROUS TIME of YEAR!

We are expecting some kind of Major Blow-out this week. Several complex astro-cycles maximize over the next few days which, in our opinion, will coalesce recent tensions into dramatic actions! Which ones? There are so many Black Swans looking for a place to land! Let us hope it is more silliness over monuments than it is about the firing of weapons, here or elsewhere. No promises!

We are convinced from these planetary pictures that it will affect Markets. Is it possible to overcome the very tight control over markets which have limited them to steady small increases except when unexpected actions catch them by surprise? We'll see how it goes – soon!

A separate point about this month's planetary contacts: Most days, there happen to contain one planet forming a Platonic aspect with another planet. That is, in harmonic alignment of 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, or 8. They are conjunction, opposition, trine, square, sextile, or semi-square. The parallel and contra-parallel correspond to the conjunction and opposition in Declination or north/south orientation.

Occasionally, one planet may share a connection with one and the same or different connection with another on the same day. This is more rare but still not uncommon. The unusual thing about this September is that it contains numerous (many) three planet alignments, which we expect to keep up a barrage of energetic interactions, many of which will bring about uneasy or openly hostile conditions. Many of them are also among the outer (slow moving) planets ruling over very long term cycles – ALL Critical! The WORLD will be shifting into something DIFFERENT.



September is widely known as the worst performing stock market month. That is despite more actual crashes in the October period. What happens there is that markets occasionally go into the tank big-time, but from the low, tend to bounce back strongly into October's month-end, once the downside has maximized.

So advice to hold through September because things tend to be better by the end of October, is not always the best. The problem is that some Octobers, pressure may become so excessive that even the experts are forced to reduce exposure, at the least appropriate moment, at or near the exact low!

Over Time, lightening up during the greatest period of seasonal weakness has proven worth the while. The amount of 'lightening' is certainly dependent upon management goals and customer preferences. Although our astro-cycles become extremely positive into early December, there remain trouble spots politically, geopolitically and financially around our own government's Fiscal Year End, September 30, beginning NOW!

Sometimes, other planetary approaches to a previously 'hot' Eclipse Point can trigger market moves (pro & con). There will be hits with further negative potential on September 8, October 10 & 25, and November 4-9. There will likely be a low sometime in October, followed by a strong move up into December.

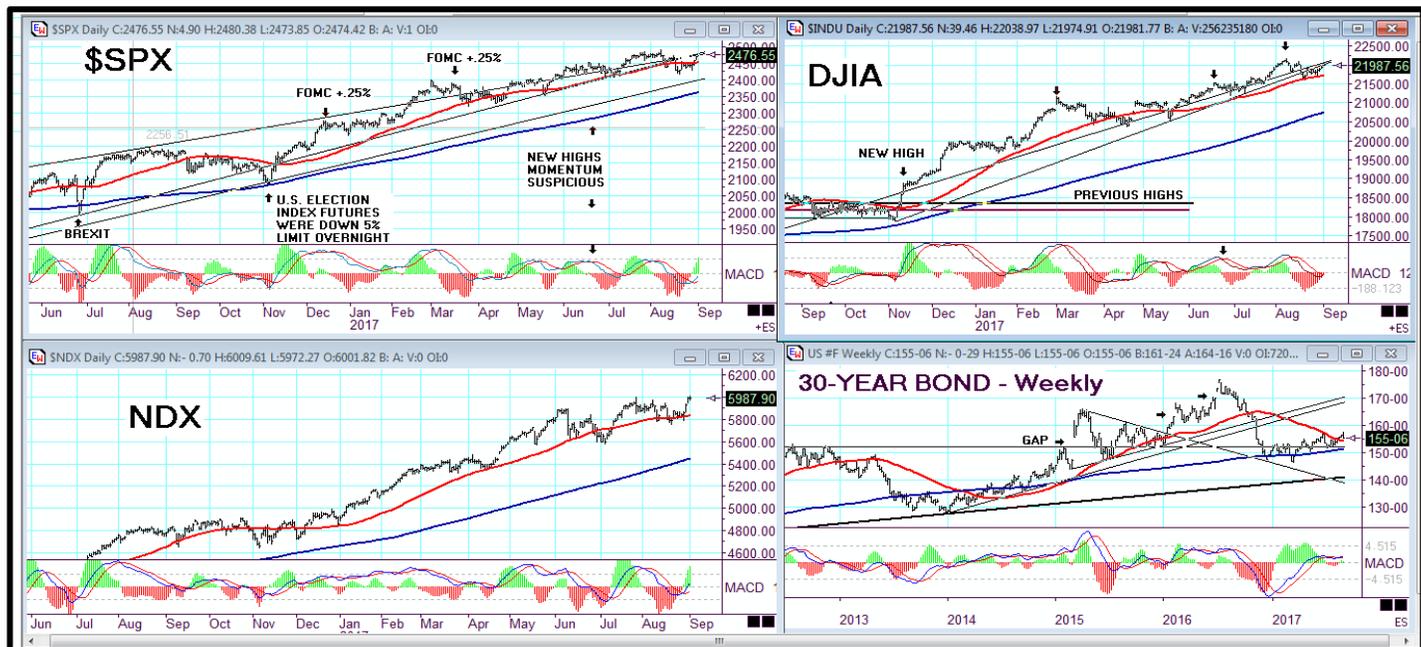
We will have our next CP letter available in 20 days, on the 25th of September, hopefully under clearer circumstances. In the meantime, we look forward to exciting developments. We certainly live in "Interesting Times" and I, for one, wouldn't want to miss them. The growing complexity of world and national events are just too much to decipher, right now. The sky patterns are unique and highly charged for good or ill and the possibilities are varied to the point of infinitude! Enjoy the Dance!

VITAL SIGNS

SHORTED 100% DJIA or Equivalent
Close June 2 = 21,206.29
STOP of 3.5% @ 21,948.51 Close ONLY!
STOPPED on close Aug. 1 @ 21,963.92
For a loss of -756.63 or -3.568%

SHORT 100% SPX or Equivalent
Close June 2 = 2439.07
STOP 3.5% @ 2524.44 Close ONLY!
Remains Operative – STOP not hit.

ALL OUR STOPS ARE CLOSE ONLY



DOWNSIDE COULD OCCUR DURING SEPTEMBER OR TO MID-OCT?!

Looking once more at the ancient oracle, The Dow Theory, there has been no further Bull Market confirmation since July 14, from which a dip of about 8% took place. Although Friday was the second day since July 27 that it has partially traded above its 50-Day Moving Average, it has not yet closed above it. That is, so far, clearly delineating a point of resistance where traders are willing to Sell. (\$Tran Chart not shown) Although a decline just under -300 would break the DJIA below the 50-Day MA, it would require over -1200 to insult the 200-Day MA. An increase in volatility would be necessary for a quick Sell signal.

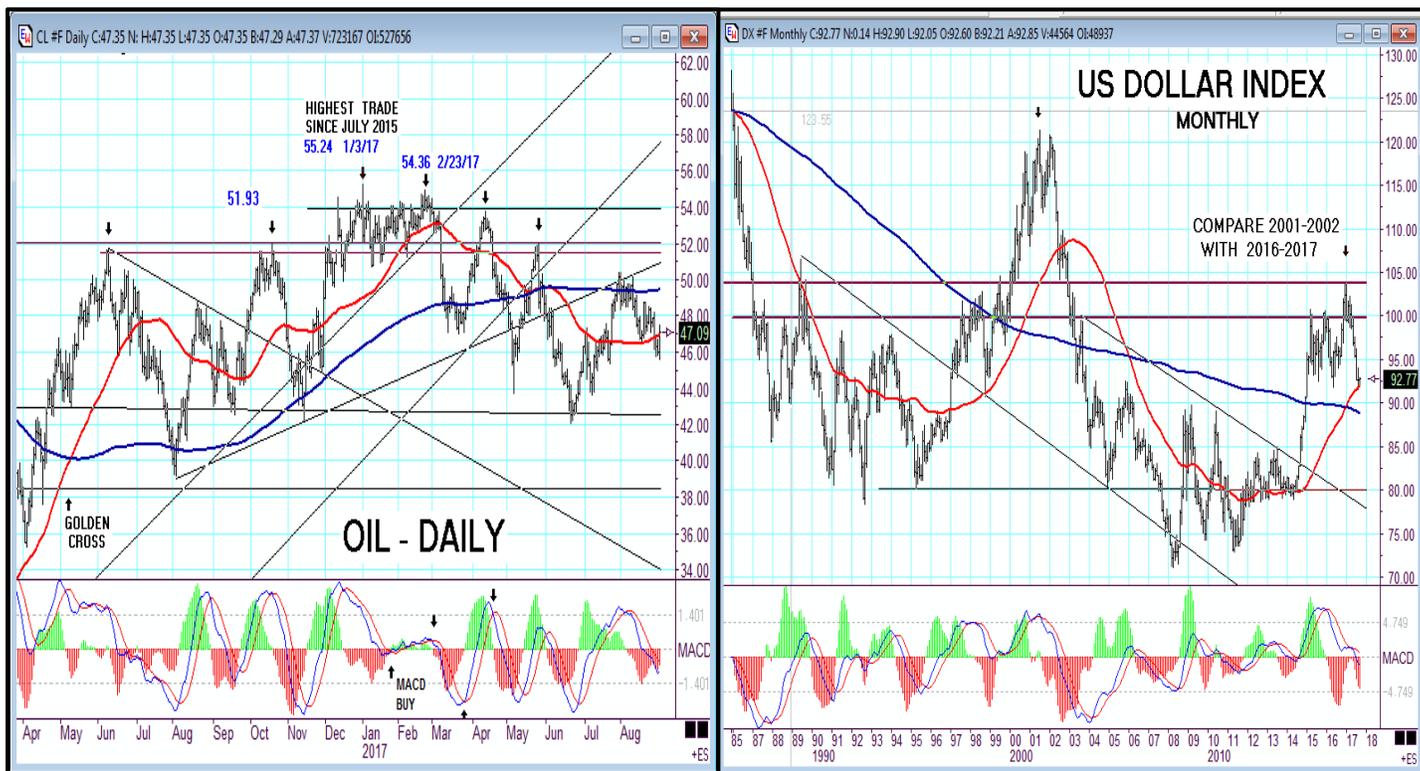
We are beginning to see some 'drag' in the Advance-Decline figures. Typically, they can handle that for about four to nine months before that indicator reaches critical importance. However, there are indications for a short term Sell NOW, but we think not nearly enough to terminate the generally positive trend. We expect to trade it downside... and then Up for a month or so into a longer term topping pattern. Even there, it may take months to complete a 'distribution' pattern. We are looking for the last half of 2018 to manifest increasingly negative probabilities. It could happen anytime past December.

We now have the **30-Year BOND** (chart at bottom right of the above charts) breaking to the upside, for. The overall pattern is beginning to fill out the picture of a Head and Shoulder top! That would give the startling message that rates will be more likely to head lower than higher when considering longer periods. We have been suspicious that the FED would not be able to keep rates headed higher, as they have stated as their desire. Such would mean that the country will return to an unfinished recessionary phase. Likely, markets will not be able to progress further under those conditions.

We have continued to call attention to the extreme narrow range of market daily movement over very recent years as a result of very heavy-handed government/FED controls, operating through the purchase and sale of major Index Futures contracts. The only times where their efforts have been overcome, resulting in moderate consolidation periods, were at instances of unexpected dramatic changes at home and (mostly) abroad.

The most representative examples were the Swiss unhooking a 'guaranteed' relationship of their currency to the Euro; the Chinese devaluing their Yuan; and the Brexit vote in Great Britain. In addition, the US Presidential vote unexpectedly threw the office to Mr. Trump, and all overnight trading Index Futures went immediately down their 5% Limits. In that case, the entire loss was made up next day and the day following (mysteriously?).

“Scaling great heights, whether climbing a Himalayan peak or watching the market rise, comes with risks that must be monitored every step of the way. And the higher you go, the greater those risks become. Climbers feel numbness in their fingers and toes, and lightness in their heads; investors can feel the same things, if for different reasons, as the market lurches from peak to peak. The question becomes whether to turn back or to keep trudging higher. That’s particularly pertinent for investors, who have watched stocks more than triple since the depths of the financial crisis in a bull market that is now the second-longest on record. And with dangers – both real and imagined – seemingly lurking in every dip and drop, the urge to turn tail and run from equities might be particularly strong.” – Ben Levisohn



OIL Daily - US DOLLAR INDEX Monthly

The **DAILY OIL** Chart (chart above left) is beginning to look like a Multiple Head and Shoulder topping pattern. Since the February 23rd high, it has been steadily producing lower highs and lower lows – the very definition of a downtrend. A break below the 42 support would probably indicate an immediate further downside in the neighborhood of ten to twelve points, or to the 30-32 area.

The United States fracking business has made our country self-sufficient for the first time and even to the point of exporting Oil. As a result, it has removed the teeth of the OPEC Oil Cartel. Arab countries are now scrambling to cut costs due to less income from the lower selling price having fallen from over \$100 to the \$42-55 range of this past year. Even Saudi Arabia’s massive oil company is proceeding with a sale of some of their stock, though the amount will certainly be under 5% for this initial offering.

What is not generally known about the energy field is that Free Energy machines have been developed by many individual researchers. They pull the energy straight from the background etheric energy. One man offered to make his device available to the United Nations. In every known case where the machinery actually operated successfully, a branch of the U.S. Government has brutally suppressed it by impounding lab equipment, all working models, and by threatening the discoverers with jail or bodily harm. Then they ruin reputations calling the claims a hoax. Can you imagine what would happen with our economy if all suppliers of energy were thrown out of business by Free Energy? You can see a movie online that is actually free with this information and much more on many other subjects of great interest here: www.thrivemovement.com/the_movie

DOLLAR INDEX IS FINDING SUPPORT AT ITS 200-WEEK MA and AT PREVIOUS HIGHS & LOWS AT 92!

Last month we wrote: “The DOLLAR INDEX (DX) rose to an old resistance level (line) which stopped the advance for nearly two years. Then it broke up through that to another old resistance level around 104, which stopped it cold, and perhaps permanently (at least for a period of years). It seems to be headed down to a point of very strong support around 92 which is being bolstered by the rising 50-Month MA (rising red line). That should at least give it a good possibility for a bounce, even if it continues lower later.”

The **BIGGEST QUESTION** on the horizon for Rates AND the DOLLAR involves the DEBT Ceiling. The U.S. ran out of money a few months back, and current accounts have been kept current by that scientific accounting procedure called FINAGLING! The Finagling is estimated to run out in early to mid-October, as we begin the next Federal Fiscal Year. The bitterness in Washington is only getting worse, and the battle lines are being drawn, but most participants claim that Debt Ceiling will be raised without incident. Meantime, President Trump mentioned that he might shut down the government if Congress won’t fund the Mexican Wall. But, you know, he’s a great kiddler!

My former wife, Carolyn Crawford, passed away on Aug. 22 after a terrible auto accident during a raging storm on Aug. 10.

GOLD (weekly chart at right) has been attempting to build a base for the last four years. It has finally made a decisive break above its long term downtrend line, and that's an extremely important accomplishment. To break above the four year base a price trade at or above \$1400 should do the trick. As it stands, we are seeing the best price action in a long while. Although price spikes have appeared many times, only a couple have broken out above trendlines and moving averages.

There seems to be a world-wide concern about fiat currencies brewing that includes worry about some of the greater nation stalwarts. International currency blocks have formed with the purpose of avoiding using the USDollar in OIL transactions especially, as was mandated by the post-war agreements of the late 40's.

An Arab block is contemplating a Gold-backed issuance of some sort. China and Russia are likewise buying huge quantities of the Precious Metal, most likely for similar purposes.

Lately, more countries are attempting to escape from the use of cash, which allows transactions that cannot be followed and controlled by governments. The Control issue is becoming so much more prevalent in today's world, to the impediment of Personal Freedoms.

Apparently, personal attempts to remain free are touching off a bevy of new blockchain currencies, while the grandfather, Bitcoin, is going absolutely nuts! We cannot be sure at this stage, if an inflationary influence is gathering or if the price increases are just trying to find some kind of realistic value while governments are losing the 'consent of the governed' across a wide swatch of territory.



ASTRONOMIC ACTIVITY – (Give all these a time period of +/- 2-3 Days)

- AUG 7 = Full Moon in Aquarius = A Partial Lunar Eclipse. May roil emotions and markets Monday. **AUG 8-9-10: -274 total**
- AUG 15-16 = Both Venus and Mars attack Pluto (or vice versa)- **AUG 17=Biggest down day of Aug -274.14**
- AUG 21 = TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE CROSSES the U.S. = Biggest deal in the sky this Year! Startlingly Powerful!!
- AUG 24 = Four negative/hostile planetary pairs – If markets don't get hit today, when will they? **Aug 23: -87.80 Aug 24: -28.69**
- SEP 5 = Mercury returns to Direct Motion Tuesday. Mars enters Virgo. Sun opposes Neptune & 135 to Uranus. =CHANGES!
- SEP 6 = DISASTER! Full Moon 2 AM; Mars squares Admetos before noon. Changes from yesterday go to Full development!
- SEP 8-9 = Pluto hostile to Venus and Mars = Forget about relationships this period. Markets, except for gold, not likely positive.
- SEP 15 = Venus sextile Jupiter a few minutes before the NYSE close should bring a strong rally into the weekend hours.
- SEP 19-20 = Venus enters Virgo, Mercury opposes Neptune, & New Moon all in 4 hours over midnight = Very Intense Period!
- SEP 24 = Mars opposes Neptune & 135 to Uranus = Inflationary hedges are screaming higher all this week
- SEP 27-28 = Jupiter 135 to Neptune & opposite to Uranus; Pluto Direct Station = All outer planets = Long Term Changes appear.
- OCT 2-4 = Uranus stationary Retrograde Wed. Jupiter squares Pluto midday Friday = All outer planets =More Incredible changes.
- OCT 7 = Full Moon in Aquarius = "Screaming Intensity – Freedom vs. Responsibility. (Dell)
- OCT 8-10 = Probably a down day Tuesday and an up day Thursday.
- OCT 11 = Uranus squares Neptune 2 hrs after NYSE Close = MAJOR SHIFTS ALL AROUND = Incredible Long Term release!
- OCT 14-16 = Betting downside for equity markets. Mercury goes Retrograde again on Oct 12th. All usual cautions extended!

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