

No Wednesday received

Tuesday, 28th July, 1981.

Discouraged by the absence of any follow through in the U.S. bond market after their good money supply figures, the Gilt Edged market today gave up some of yesterday's rise. Prices opened about $\frac{1}{4}$ down in short-dated stocks and up to $\frac{1}{2}$ lower in longs. Business was very light in front of the holiday, but longs fully held these prices throughout the day to close at around their original lower levels. Shorts tended to ease slightly, however, and closed up to $\frac{3}{8}$ down on the day.

The Industrial market opened slightly firmer, extending the better tone of yesterday and the overnight advance on Wall Street. Prices, however, tended to improve initially but most sections reacted in extremely quiet trading to close marginally lower on balance. Reed International were sharply higher on the interim figures, while National Westminster Bank eased on disappointment with the half time results. Kaffir issues drifted easier in subdued trading on the easier gold fix price.

Financial Times Index (3.00 p.m.)

526.2 (down 2.3)

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Sales		NIL
Purchases	£	1,841,000
Nett Purchases on balance	£	1,841,000

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Purchases	£	2,395,000
Nett Purchases on balance	£	2,395,000