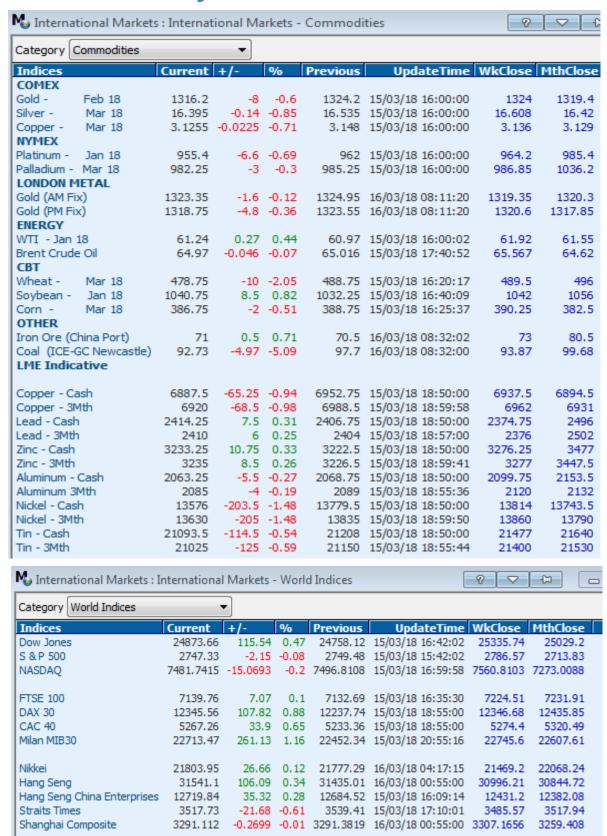
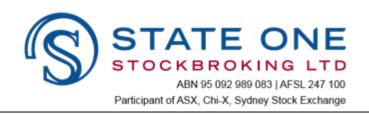


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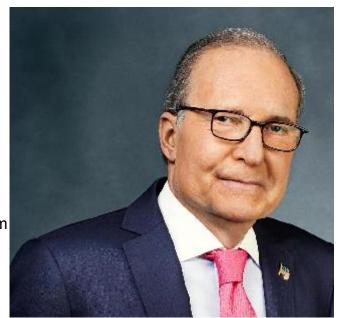
PRECIOUS METALS COMMENTARY

Gold prices appear to be struggling Thursday, in part because the metal is seeing little love from the White House's new national economic advisor Larry Kudlow.

In an interview with CNBC Wednesday, Kudlow said that he supports a strong U.S. dollar policy adding, "I would buy King Dollar and I would sell gold."

Looking at the U.S. dollar, Kudlow said that a great country needs a strong currency.

"I'm not saying the dollar has to go up 30%, I'm just saying let the rest of the world know that we are going to keep the world's international reserve currency steady," Kudlow said in the interview. "That creates confidence at home."

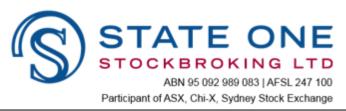


Gold prices remain weak as the market digests the comments. April gold futures last traded at \$1,318.90 an ounce, down 0.51% on the day.

However, analysts are not completely convinced gold investors should take Kudlow's comments to heart.

Colin Hamilton, Managing Director of Commodities Research at BMO Capital Markets said in a report that Kudlow's comments on gold and the U.S. dollar don't come as much as a surprise and he added that the bullish rhetoric will only have a short-term impact on U.S. dollar strength.

Source: Kitco



US Market

The S&P 500 was heading for a fourth successive decline as worries about a global trade continued to cast a shadow over the market, as participants digested news of Larry Kudlow's appointment as President Trump's chief economic adviser.

The S&P 500 was down 0.2 per cent at 2,745, having earlier touched 2,763.03. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was 0.4 per cent higher while the Nasdaq Composite was down 0.4 per cent. Across the Atlantic, Frankfurt's Xetra Dax rose 0.9 per cent — bolstered by a relatively steep drop for the euro against the dollar — while London's FTSE 100 gained 0.1 per cent. The Europe-wide Stoxx 600 ended 0.5 per cent higher.

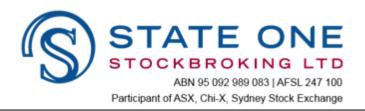
If we talk about commodities, Oil prices were higher, Brent Crude Oil was up by 0.5 per cent and traded at \$65.19 per barrel as despite of a risk of potential trade war, OPEC upgraded its demand forecasts.

General Electric, 3M and Caterpillar were up by more than 1 percent. It was expected that Boeing may act vulnerable to a trade war and was up a more than 0.4 percent.

Among stocks, Alibaba jumped by 4.4 percent aa it was reported that the Chinese e-commerce giant was planning to get listed in China. Dollar General rose by 5.8 percent after the discount retailer's quarterly same-store sales had beaten the estimates, while Sears was up by 5 percent and reported a smaller-than-expected drop in same-store sales.



GE Daily Chart (Source: Thomson Reuters)



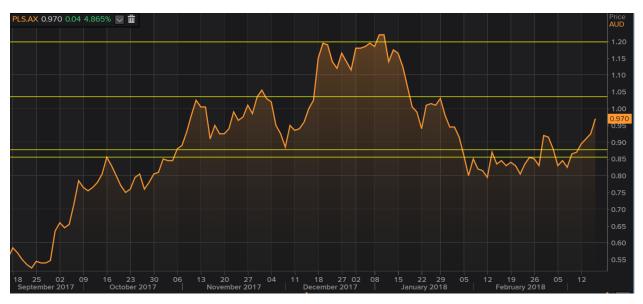
Australian Market

The S&P/ASX 200 index was down by 14 points or by 0.2 per cent and reached to 5920 while All Ordinaries were down by 15 points or by 0.2 per cent and reached to 6027.Banks were the worst performers as (after the Hayne's Royal Commission inquiry, mortgage brokers misconduct came into limelight/ their misconduct was reported in the Hayne's Royal Commission.)

Banking Sector was down by 18 points like Commonwealth Bank and Westpac were down by 1 per cent and by 0.9 per cent and closed at \$75.78 and at \$29.68 respectively. ANZ and NAB both were down by 1 per cent and traded at \$28.05 and at \$29.67 respectively. Other financial firms like IAG and AMP fell by 1.5 per cent and by 1.1 per cent and traded at \$7.85 and at \$5.22 respectively. Premium Investments rose by 2.1 per cent and traded at \$14.39.

If we talk about miners and Energy firms, Origin Energy, Caltex were down by 1.5 per cent and by 2.2 per cent and closed at \$8.66 and at \$31.82 respectively. Whereas BHP and Rio Tinto were up by 0.8 per cent and by 2 per cent and closed at \$28.86 and at \$76.06 respectively. Syrah Resources and Pilbara Minerals were also up by 6.6 per cent and by 4.9 per cent. Gold miner St Barbara fell by 2.9 per cent and closed at \$4.06 as it disclosed that it has acquired 10 per cent of stake in ABM Resources by acquiring 44 million of shares at a consideration of 10c per share. Newcrest was down by 0.5 per cent and traded at \$19.8

Australian stock futures are pointing to mild gains as US stocks found some support toward the end of a choppy trading session marked by the ebb and flow of worries over a global trade war. The Australian dollar traded lower.



Pilbara Minerals Daily Chart (Source: Thomson Reuters)

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