

Stocks rally and oil sinks after Trump hints at a possible end to war, even as Iran denies talks

By Stan Choe AP Business Writer NEW YORK — A cautious relief swept through financial markets Monday after President Donald Trump said the United States has talked with Iran about a possible end to their war. Oil prices eased, and stock prices rose on Wall Street following severe losses taken elsewhere in the world before Trump's announcement.

of 631. Over the weekend, Trump had threatened to "obliterate" Iran's power plants if it doesn't open up the Strait of Hormuz within 48 hours. The narrow waterway off Iran's coast has become a sore point for Trump and the economy because a sharp slowdown in traffic is preventing oil tankers from leaving the Persian Gulf to supply customers around the world.

back above \$92 and then settling at \$88.13, down 10.3% from Friday. Financial markets have had vicious swings, both up and down, since the war began because of uncertainty about how long it may last. The fear is that a long-term disruption could keep so much oil and natural gas off global markets that it creates a punishing wave of inflation for the global economy.

rose 0.8%, and Germany's DAX returned 1.2%. That compares with sharp drops for Asian stock markets, which finished trading before Trump made his announcement. South Korea's Kospi careened 6.5% lower, Japan's Nikkei 225 dropped 3.5% and Hong Kong's Hang Seng fell 3.5%.

The price for a barrel of Brent crude fell 10.9% to settle at \$99.94, down from nearly \$120 at one point last week, after Trump said the United States and Iran held productive talks the last two days "regarding a complete and total resolution of our hostilities in the Middle East." The S&P 500 climbed 1.1% for its best day since the war began.

Trump said Monday that he is postponing attacks on Iranian power plants for five days to allow talks to continue. Quickly afterward, though, came the denials from Iran about talks, while Iran's semi-official Fars and Tasnim news agencies portrayed the American president as backing down.

The swings of the past few weeks are similar to, but not as dramatic as, those that hit last year when Trump shocked the global economy on "Liberation Day." Many of his worldwide tariffs ended up being milder than he initially threatened, and the back-and-forth in negotiations led to historic moves up and down.

Treasury yields also eased in the bond market following Trump's announcement. High Treasury yields and disruption in the bond market were factors that Trump named a year ago when he backed off his initial threats for global tariffs. The moves caused critics to allege Trump always chickens out, or "TACO," if financial markets show enough pain.

The market's moves were tentative, though, after Iran denied such talks took place and Iranian parliament speaker Mohammad Bagher Qalibaf said that "fake-news is used to manipulate the financial and oil markets" in a posting on X. The Dow Jones Industrial Average went from a surge of nearly 1,135 points during the morning to a more modest gain of 540 before accelerating to finish with a climb

Turkey and Egypt, meanwhile, said they had spoken to the warring parties, the first sign of coordinated mediation, which could be an encouraging signal. Amid all the developments, the price of Brent crude fell as low as \$96 immediately after Trump announced the postponement but quickly recovered a chunk of that loss. Benchmark U.S. crude had a similar reaction, immediately dropping toward \$84 per barrel before yo-yoing

Monday's overriding reaction in financial markets was nevertheless one of relief. The S&P 500 rose 74.52 points to 6,581.00. The Dow climbed 631.00, or 1.4%, to 46,208.47, and the Nasdaq composite jumped 299.15, or 1.4%, to 21,946.76. In Europe, stock indexes immediately flipped from losses to gains following Trump's announcement. France's CAC 40

Like oil prices, Treasury yields still remain well above where they were before the war began, even after Monday's drop. The worry is that high oil prices could keep the Federal Reserve and other central banks from cutting interest rates, which would give the global economy and prices for investments a boost. The yield on the 10-year Treasury fell to 4.35% from 4.39% late Friday. But it remains solidly above its 3.97% level from just before the war.

MARKETS

DOW JONES INDUSTRIALS High: 46,712.33 Low: 45,803.82 Close: 46,208.47 Change: +631.00

NYSE Amer Composite: 8,468.34 +43.72 Russell 2000 Index: 2,494.23 +55.78 Wilshire 5000 Total Market Index: 65,000.60 -1,044.71

OTHER INDEXES Standard&Poors 500 Index: 6,581.00 +74.52 NYSE Index: 21,910.77 +294.04 Nasdaq Composite Index: 21,946.76 +299.15

Table with columns: COMPANY, TICKER, YESTERDAY CLOSE, CHANGE, PERCENT CHANGE, VOLUME. Lists stocks like Casey's General Store, Ford Motor Company, etc.

Kalshi, Polymarket to ban insider trading as senators move to curb prediction markets

By Ken Sweet AP Business Writer NEW YORK — Kalshi and Polymarket, the two biggest prediction market platforms, pushed to institute new industry guardrails on Monday after two key senators announced legislation that could severely curtail the industry's prospects.

might possess confidential information or could influence the outcome of an event. This would include athletes but could also include company officials, policymakers or anyone who would have enough influence to affect the outcome of an event or know the information in advance.

DoorDash offers added payments to US and Canadian drivers as gas prices soar

By Dee-Ann Durbin AP Business Writer

Global oil prices have soared since the Iran war began on Feb. 28. Last week, Brent crude oil, the international standard, briefly rose above \$119 per barrel, up from roughly \$70 before the war began.

DoorDash said U.S. drivers with a DoorDash debit card will earn 10% cash back on any gas purchase, up from the usual rate of 2%. More than half of DoorDash drivers have the card, the company said.

will receive up to \$36 Canadian dollars per week based on the miles they travel to make deliveries.

DoorDash is offering extra compensation to U.S. and Canadian drivers as part of a temporary program to help offset rising gas prices.

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The company said drivers who travel 125 miles or more while making deliveries will also receive a weekly fuel payment, starting at \$5 and up to a maximum of \$15.

DoorDash said both programs will remain in effect through April 26. It announced a similar gas price relief program in Australia late last week.

The San Francisco-based delivery company announced the program Monday as the national average price for gas hit \$3.96 per gallon in the U.S., according to AAA. That's 35% higher than one month ago.

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IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR FLOYD COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RICKY BENTON, DECEASED Probate No. ESPRO19221 NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Ricky Benton, Deceased, who died on or about March 20, 2025: You are hereby notified that on the 13th day of March, 2026, the undersigned was appointed Administrator of the Estate. Notice is hereby given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred. Dated this 19th day of March, 2026.

Tim Willcockson P.O. Box 13110 Des Moines, Iowa 50310 Administrator of the Estate Katlyn B. Downs ICIS Pin No. AT0015703 Laird Law Firm, P.L.L.C. 403 Main Avenue P.O. Box 187 Clear Lake, Iowa 50428-0187 Attorney for Administrator Date of second publication: 03-24-2026 No. 25415 03-24-2026 Charles City Press 03-31-2026 Charles City Press www.iowapublicnotices.com

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THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR FLOYD COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ELEANOR NIELSEN, Deceased. CASE NO. ESPRO19217 NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Eleanor Nielsen, deceased, who died on or about January 1, 2026: You are hereby notified that on March 13, 2026, the Last Will and Testament of Eleanor Nielsen, deceased, bearing the date of January 14, 2026, was admitted to probate in the above name court and that Sharon Van Hauen was appointed Personal Representative and the undersigned was appointed attorney for the estate. Notice is hereby given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of the mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred. Dated on March 13, 2026.

Sharon Van Hauen, Personal Representative 305 Charles Street Charles City, IA 50616 Todd P. Richiard, ICIS #: 0006309 Attorney for the Executor Walk, Richiard, Baresel & Murphy, PC 1300 Grove St PO Box 454 Charles City, IA 50616 todd@walkrichiard.com Date of second publication: 03-31-26 No. 25411 03-24-2026 Charles City Press 03-31-2026 Charles City Press www.iowapublicnotices.com

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Notice of Sheriff's Levy and Sale IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR FLOYD COUNTY STATE OF IOWA FLOYD COUNTY Iowa District Court Floyd County, Case #: EQCVO32264, Civil #: 26-000175 Special Execution VERIDIAN CREDIT UNION VS BRITTANY BOWSER, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BRITTANY BOWSER, AND PARTIES IN POSSESSION As a result of the judgment rendered in the above referenced court case, an execution was issued by the court to the Sheriff of this county. The execution ordered the sale of defendant(s) Real Estate described below. To satisfy the judgment. The property to sold is: PARCEL A. OF PLAT OF SURVEY FILED AUGUST 8, 1994 IN BOOK 8 PAGE 46 IN THE FLOYD COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE. DESCRIBED AS: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE SECTION LINE THAT IS 561.26 FEET WEST OF THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 15, TOWNSHIP 94 NORTH, RANGE 15 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., FLOYD COUNTY, IOWA; THENCE CONTINUING ALONG THE SECTION LINE WEST 762.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 0 DEGREES 18'45" EAST 313.35 FEET ALONG AN EXISTING FENCE; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 4'20" EAST 764.03 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 41'35" WEST 301 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING Property Address 3145 280th STREET, NASHUA, IA 50658 The described property will be offered for sale at public auction for cash only as follows: Sale Date: 04/29/2026; Sale Time: 10:00 AM; Place of Sale: FLOYD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 1ST FLOOR, 101 S MAIN ST, CHARLES CITY, IA 50616. This sale not subject to Redemption. Property exemption: Certain money or property may be exempt. Contact your attorney promptly to review specific provisions of the law and file appropriate notice, if acceptable. Judgment Amount: \$161,803.25 Costs: \$11,544.61 Accruing Cost: PLUS Interest: \$15,188.22 Sheriff's Fees: Pending Attorney: JANELLE G. EWING 925 E 4th STREET WATERLOO, IA 50704 319-234-2530 Date: 03/17/2026 JEFFREY A. CROOKS, FLOYD COUNTY SHERIFF LT. TRAVIS BARTZ No. 25414 03-24-2026 Charles City Press 03-31-2026 Charles City Press www.iowapublicnotices.com

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Floyd County Board of Supervisors Meeting March 10, 2026, 9:00 a.m. The Floyd County Board of Supervisors met in the Floyd County Courthouse Board Room. Supervisors Gloria Carr, Boyd Campbell, and Frank Rottinghaus were in attendance. Rottinghaus/Campbell moved to approve the agenda. Motion carried 3-0. Public comment: None. Campbell/Rottinghaus moved to approve the March 3, 2026 minutes. Motion carried 3-0. Campbell/Rottinghaus moved to approve the claims: County #1927-2005, Engineer #10521-10551 and Drains #15453. Motion carried 3-0. AgVantage, Fuel.....\$10183.17 Ahlers, Legal.....\$1726.98 Allen Hosp, Serv.....\$1800.00 Amazon, Supplies.....\$82.41 TEK/AMR, Serv.....\$18344.73 Arnold Supply, Parts.....\$512.02 A Bellinger, Reimb.....\$88.13 Black Hills, Util.....\$427.16 Builders, Mat'l.....\$6190.20 Butler Co, Reimb.....\$5414.95 J Butterfield, Reimb.....\$72.50 S Butterfield, Reimb.....\$105.00 Calhoun Burs, Inspec.....\$22812.75 Centr IA Dist, Supplies.....\$1361.00 CenturyLink, Phone.....\$690.16 CC Press, Notice.....\$5207.79 Floyd, Util.....\$37.72 Rockford, Util.....\$279.03 CJ Cooper, Tests.....\$220.00 Webster Co., Serv.....\$2880.00 EOJohnson, Service.....\$1989.00 Fareway, Food.....\$1793.05 FC Gen, Pstg.....\$3000.00 FMC Landfill, Disposal.....\$1116.00 SMC, Reimb.....\$17.50 Galls, Reimb.....\$97.65 Gordon Flesch, Lease.....\$8.39 Gierke, Tools.....\$5244.87 Graham, Tires.....\$548.00 Henderson, Parts.....\$1292.20 IA Comm Net, Service.....\$452.00 IC Preschool, Tuition.....\$7010.00 Inland Truck, Parts.....\$170.86 IA DOT, Parts.....\$216.29 IA Prison, Supplies.....\$20476.90 Sec State, Maint.....\$30.00 ISACA, Dues.....\$220.00 Jendro, Disposal.....\$3519.85 Kanrad, Tech Software.....\$1500.00 Kwik Star, Supplies.....\$80.24 Learning Conn, Fees.....\$6043.07 Lessin, Parts.....\$14.97 J Lovik, Reimb.....\$158.75 LSI, Support.....\$4965.29 MCO, Maint.....\$6443.27 Mark's T&I, Equip.....\$160.71 MC Glass, Serv.....\$101.00

Molsteads, Reprs.....\$41.76 Mikes C&O, Tires.....\$1506.50 Viafield, Fuel.....\$1164.37 NS-Rkfd Reg, Notice.....\$1071.42 N Central Int, Parts.....\$68.31 N IA Fabrication, Supplies.....\$21385.36 Omnitel, Phone.....\$1612.98 P Novak, Elect Serv.....\$590.31 Petroblend, Parts.....\$133.67 Pitney Bowes, Pstg.....\$425.19 Priority Auto, Serv.....\$275.00 Pro Serv, Serv.....\$7.03 Redeemer Luth, Scholarship.....\$150.00 Pitney Bowes, Pstg.....\$1000.00 RRRM, Tuition.....\$360.00 Schueth Ace, Hwd.....\$178.86 SEAT, Dues.....\$200.00 Road Fund, Reimb.....\$169.81 T Sindt, Reimb.....\$153.75 B Solomon, Reimb.....\$83.00 Solutions, Support.....\$1099.19 St.Joseph, Learning Con.....\$1109.33 State ME, Autopsy.....\$5662.00 Superior, Supplies.....\$166.95 Swartzrock, Parts.....\$276.00 D Swartzrock, Reimb.....\$37.50 T-Mobile, Phone.....\$229.61 T-Mobile, Service.....\$1159.15 The Shredder, Service.....\$90.00 Dept Revenue, Tax.....\$8.75 Truck Co, Equip.....\$1769.92 Verizon Serv, Fee.....\$7.02 Visa, Misc.....\$1685.01 Wex, Bank Fuel.....\$8666.51 WIN, Services.....\$759.00 Wright SO, Serv Fee.....\$93.00 Z Lulff, Reimb.....\$151.25 Ziegler, Parts.....\$515.72 C Kuhlemeir DD20 Tile Repair 200.00 Updates regarding various boards, commissions, and activities since the last meeting: Carr attended the following meetings: the department head, the Northeast Iowa Workforce Financial Development and Executive ISAC Opioid Settlement, and NIAOCG; Campbell met with DD18 to place a boundary flag. Rottinghaus scheduled an upcoming Ambulance Commission meeting. All three also participated in a joint meeting with the 911 Board, Emergency Management, and the Communications Advisory Board. Adam Miller, County Engineer, presented quotes for corrugated metal pipes for the Secondary Roads Department. The low bid was submitted by Metal Culverts of Jefferson City in the amount of \$61,091.60. Campbell/Rottinghaus moved to approve the purchase of the culverts from Metal Culverts, Jefferson City. Motion carried 3-0. Miller provided an update on Secondary Roads, noting that crews are currently pouring culvert sections using the old forms until the newly patented ones are ready. Brushing work is ongoing throughout the county, with a focus on clearing brush at the DD18 outlet. Several construction projects are moving forward, including design work for 170th Street south of Rudd, where construction is expected to begin in mid-May. The contract rock letting is scheduled for March 18th, with plans to place approximately 80,000 tons of rock on gravel roads. Road vacation processes are also underway for 130th Street and for 260th Street next to Avenue. Rottinghaus/Campbell moved to approve 2026 applications for Recreational Lakes, Forest Covers, Rivers and Streams, Rivers and Stream Banks, and Open Prairies Property Tax Exemption ("Slough Bill") with a total of properties valued at \$3,620,370 on 2,534.47 acres and Forest or Fruit Tree Reservation Property Tax Exemption applications with property valued at \$6,839,450 for 4998.58 acres. Motion carried 3-0. Rottinghaus/Campbell moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Charles City Area Development Corporation for the Childcare Wage Enhancement Program, committing \$10,000 as outlined in the agreement and authorizing the Chair to sign. Motion carried 2-0, Carr abstaining. Campbell/Rottinghaus moved to approve the Payment in Lieu of Taxes Waiver Request for the North Iowa Regional Housing Authority. Motion carried 3-0. The Board noted the hiring of Conservation Director Tyron Steere, with a salary of \$72,827 effective March 4. Supv Carr left the meeting at 10 a.m., joined the meeting by phone, and Frank, as Vice Chair, continued with running the meeting. The Board recessed 10:05- 10:45. Denise Ballard, Iowa Governmental Health Care Plan representative, provided information on our employee health and dental plans. Future agenda items: vacating of a right-of-way, Health and Dental insurance rates, the disbursement of 911 Coordinator, Zoning, and Public Health Assistant Administrator duties, the zoning fee schedule, and the right-of-way ordinance. The Board conducted FY27 budget reviews, including dental insurance providers, the engineer's salary increase, fund balances, and levy rate options. Carr/Campbell moved to adjourn at 11:15 a.m. Motion carried 3-0. ATTEST: Morrigan Montagne, Floyd County Auditor Gloria A. Carr, Chair Floyd County Board of Supervisors No. 25410 03-24-2026 Charles City Press 03-31-2026 Charles City Press www.iowapublicnotices.com