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**April 9, 2015** – Oil was the villain yesterday as its large drop on record supplies sent energy stocks diving. But did they break? We do not think so. True, there were a number of reversal patterns to be found but supports and trendlines seem to have held. And oil is bouncing nicely this morning.

We may take the foot off the gas, so to speak, for a day or two but we are still in energy. We also got a missive in email from an analysts looking for a 20-year bear market in oil. Talk about negativity!

The real fireworks were in Asia, Shanghai backed down from a near vertical rally overnight. Hong Kong went totally vertical this week. Japan is a hair from the 20K level.

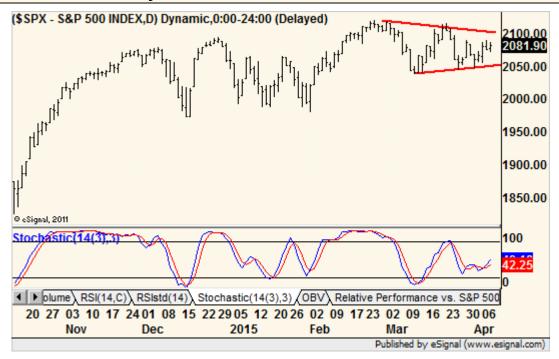


Home, home in a range. Where the bulls and bear-a-lope play. OK, I am little loopy from cold meds but you get the point. Waiting for a break one way or the other in the hourly chart.

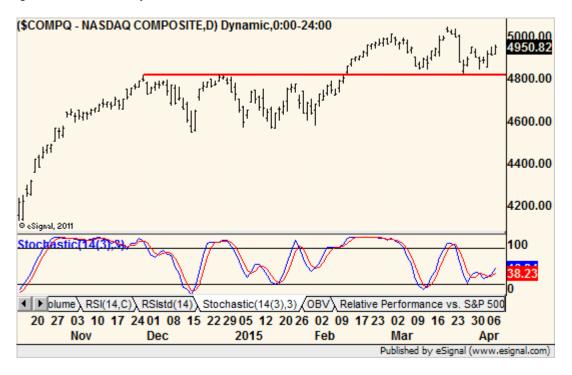
That's really it on the comments. There was so much excitement leading into the Fed minutes that the market seems washed out of emotion right now. Only two stock picks today.

<u>Final thought</u> – the transports bounced off support yesterday. It was not a total validation of the bull case but it sure helped.

## **Index Charts of the Day**



Still waiting for a break one way or the other.



Still waiting here, too. Strong support below.

### The Radar Screen

This is a list of potential opportunities, <u>not a recommended portfolio</u>. <u>Underlined</u> text is a change from previous report and if important it will be highlighted in yellow. If and when stocks give buy or sell signals here, they then move into the Advice Tracker section below. Dates listed are first appearances in the Radar Screen or the last major update. We do not take "buy/sell on close" triggers or "at the open" triggers if the stock moves more than 4-5%. See <a href="http://quicktakespro.com/radar.html">http://quicktakespro.com/radar.html</a> for all Radar Screen rules and terms.

Bullish Implications		
<b>Helmerich &amp; Payne HP</b> – This oil driller has a nice base breakout. Up over 5% yesterday so it is a bit on the risky side without a pullback first. Let's try to buy a dip to 72.00.	Triggered	4/7
<b>Potash Corp POT</b> – This fertilizer stock looks intriguing with a big dividend (ex-div April 9) and a big departure from the mean looking like it wants to snap back. Letting it dip to support and hope it happens in time to capture the dividend. On-balance volume already back to old high so we are going to take it now.	Triggered	3/17
<b>General Electric GE</b> – A very classic on-balance volume bullish divergence. If this breaks from the flag pattern then it should have a nice run higher. Buy close over 25.40.		4/8
<b>General Mills GIS</b> – This cereal maker was already on the move before corn was crushed last week. This is a nice breakout but it is a bit overbought. Buy the dip to 55.25.	Moved	4/1
Bearish Implications		<u> </u>
<b>Keurig GMCR</b> – A stock on precipice. It has a moving average death cross last month. After the bounce we will sell under 111.		3/30
<b>Illinois Tool Works ITW</b> – Just a stock on bear watch with falling on-balance volume and stalled rally. Sell close under 96/10		4/1
Unknown Implications		
none –		
Holding Tank - red shade leans bearish, green shade leans bullish		
<b>BP BP</b> – Just waiting for a drop to support and drooling over that huge dividend		3/12
<b>Viacom B VIAB</b> – Strong on-balance volume suggests this will break trendline.		3/25
<b>Standard Pacific SPF</b> – This homebuilder is the embodiment of a stock in a strong group that is just making its move to catch up. A trendline breakout, test and resumption of the rally. On-balance volume a new high. Buy the dip.		3/30
<b>Briggs &amp; Stratton BGG</b> – This small engine maker looks encouraging with a big base and rising on-balance volume. Waiting for it to get closer to resistance.		4/1
<b>Sprouts Farmers Market SFM</b> – This is an organic foods retailer in competition with <b>WFM</b> . The chart has a breakout with on-balance volume already nearing its old high. Investor's Business Daily had this on a list of good earnings stocks to weather a correction. Waiting for a dip.		4/2
<b>Jacobs Engineering JEC -</b> Heavy construction stock in a "handle" formation. Buy close over resistance 45.50.		4/7
FireEye FEYE – A cyber security stock with a bull flag sitting on the 50-day average. We like that on-balance volume did not drop during the flag's price decline. Looking for a breakout although we'd prefer it to take a day off first.	New	4/9
Philip Morris Intl PM – We tried tobacco before. This one finally reached long-term support (not shown) and sports a small bullish RSI divergence. Waiting for a little more strength and we'll go after its huge dividend.	New	4/9

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Sector Watch (observations that may spark ideas)		
<b>Biotech</b> – A bit more downside than we expected. But now showing a little recovery	Changed	3/30
power.		
Specialty Chemicals – Bounced off major support. Check out bull flags in ECL and		3/31
IFF. CBT possible catch-up candidate.		
Shale Oil – Think shale oil is dead? Nope. CPE, OAS, SN, LPI		4/6
Oil Explorers/producers –RRC with possible double bottom. PXD, SM, XEC, NFX		4/6
<b>Heavy Construction</b> – cup-with-handle-like bottoming pattern. <b>FLR</b> almost there		4/7
Undates		

**Mylan MYL** – Kicking ourselves for lack of courage. We said it was setting up for a rally but it soared 14.8% yesterday. \$#@^%\*&\$

**Crude Oil** – We said it was at resistance yesterday. The damage was not too back and we still think the energy sector is good.

**Nabors NBR** - Big decline but still above former resistance. Scary but not dead. We did say it was overbought.

## **Market Highlights**



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#### **Advice Tracker**

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	Symbol	Name	<u>Last</u>	P/L	Stop	Price in	Date in	#Days
Long	MCD	MCDONALDS CORP	96.85	-0.1%	95.00	96.91	3/10	29
	WMT	WAL-MART STORES INC	81.03	-2.7%	80.50	83.29	3/16	23
	YHOO	YAHOO INC	45.17	0.4%	43.50	44.98	3/19	20
	FB	FACEBOOK INC	82.28	-1.8%	80.00	83.81	3/30	9
	NBR	NABORS INDUSTRIES LTD	14.21	0.9%	14.00	14.08	4/1	7
	CBI	CHICAGO BRIDGE & IRON CO N V	49.41	0.8%	47.00	49.01	4/1	7
	HRB	BLOCK H & R INC	31.86	-1.2%	31.50	32.26	4/2	6
	SIMO	SILICON MOTION TECHNOLOGY	30.49	9.9%	29.50	27.74	4/7	1
	HP	HELMERICH & PAYNE INC	71.28	-1.0%	69.00	72.00	4/8	0
	POT	POTASH CORP SASK INC	33.10	-0.1%	32.00	33.14	4/8	0
Short	none							

Notes: SIMO soared nicely but it is already at resistance.

New long in **HP** on the pullback.

New long in **POT** at the open. Looking to grab that big dividend which goes ex today.

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