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STOCK INDEX FUTURES

Stock index futures are mixed, although S&P 500 futures hit a record high.

Last week the S&P 500 posted its biggest weekly advance since February.

Recent gains in stock index futures were partially due to recent comments from Federal Reserve Chairman Jerome Powell when he walked back a bit from the June 16 hawkish FOMC statement.

The 9:00 central time June consumer confidence index is expected to be 119.

There is a triple top in the September Russell 2000 futures at 2346.70 - 2346.90. I expect this resistance area will soon be taken out.

The fundamentals remain bullish on balance in the short term for stock index futures.

CURRENCY FUTURES

Safe haven buying is supporting the U.S dollar.

The euro currency is lower despite news that the euro zone economic sentiment indicator rose to 117.9 in June, which is the highest since an all-time high of 118.2 was reached in May 2000.

Germany's consumer price inflation rate is expected to ease to 2.3% year-on-year in June 2021, from a near 13-year high of 2.5% hit in the previous month, according to the Federal Statistical Office.

Consumer credit in the U.K. increased by GBP 0.28 billion in May of 2021, following a GBP 0.23 billion decline in the previous month and above market expectations of a GBP 0.24 billion increase.

INTEREST RATE MARKET FUTURES

Thomas Barkin of the Federal Reserve will speak at 8:00.

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The U.S. Treasury yield curve has flattened recently with shorter-dated yields increasing, while longer-dated yields are declining.

A flattening yield curve suggests the **rate** of inflation has already peaked and the **rate** of growth in the global economy is slowing.

In my minority view I believe in the weeks ahead Federal Reserve officials will walk back somewhat their anticipated timeline for a tapering of their bond-buying program.

SUPPORT & RESISTANCE

September 21 S&P 500

Support 4268.00 Resistance 4287.00

September 21 U.S. Dollar Index

Support 91.830 Resistance 92.220

September 21 Euro Currency

Support 1.18920 Resistance 1.19520

September 21 Japanese Yen

Support .90300 Resistance .90630

September 21 Canadian Dollar

Support .80680 Resistance .81140

September 21 Australian Dollar

Support .75050 Resistance .75750

September 21 Thirty-Year Treasury Bonds

Support 159¹⁵ Resistance 160¹²

August 21 Gold

Support 1748.0 Resistance 1782.0

September 21 Copper

Support 4.2000 Resistance 4.2900

September 21 Crude Oil

Support 71.20 Resistance 73.00

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