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# The Morning Call

### From the Cutting Room Floor and More

After the completion of FOCUS, there is always lots left over. Insightful anecdotes. Pithy quotes. Supporting data. We did not get to use the whole thing about Teddy Roosevelt's "Bully Pulpit". The media has invented the expectation of the First 100 days. FDR succeeded, all others failed to change the country in that time period. The new President looks like he will do it. There is a table of their track record courtesy of Bespoke. Coolidge was +25%.Clinton +16% and Obama +12%. Reagan was +11% and Eisenhower + 10%. FDR did 9% per annum.

It is impossible to have a new Bull market without leadership from the Financials. We have read that deregulation will add \$40B to \$60B to their profits. That is consistent with numbers that were attributed to KPMG and Goldman during the late stages of the campaign. That would drop the Price to Book Value to 1.36 times. In 2003/2004 it was 2.3 times. The long term average is 1.79 times. Like the Birdie says Cheap Cheap. One complaint has been that no one was punished. Wells Fargo is cancelling the 2016 bonuses for their C-Suite. Finally. One of the Swiss strategists is quoted as saying that "the Bank trade is known but not crowded". We agree.

Generally, we see the stock trade not to be Crowded. The Bond trade sure seems that way. Many seem excited that the 10-year Treasury yield has subsided to +2.358%. The losses on Capital has eliminated 3 or 4 years of Coupon. There is no way we like that trade.

Claims dropped by -12K to be 234K. The prior lowest level was at 233K in November of 2009. The 4-week average was the lowest since 1973. Claims are below the 300k mark for the 101st consecutive week. Small wonder that oil was up +1%. We think that is a counter trend Rally. Gold is \$1241. That starts to have the Smell of a move off the recently tested support level.

Today the St Louis FED President will Speechify. So will Evans of Chicago. We sense that the market is caring less and less. The Trump Train is almost out of the Station.

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Do you remember today in 1964? The Beatles played Ed Sullivan and the world changed forever.

Regards,

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