LET'S CHECK IN ON THE METALS.
NOW GOLD HAS BEEN TRADING NEAR TWO-WEEK HIGHS.
WE ARE EXPECTING U.S. INFLATION NUMBERS TOMORROW AND THE ANALYSTS ARE LOOKING FOR YET ANOTHER PLUS 7% READING.
ACCORDING TO BLOOMBERG THAT WOULD BE THE LARGEST ANNUAL ADVANCE IN PRICES AT AN ANNUAL RATE SINCE EARLY 1982.
GOING WAY BACK TO THE '80S ACCORDING TO ECONOMISTS SURVEYED BY BLOOMBERG.
>>> AND LET'S SEE HOW THE U.S. DOLLAR IS DOING TODAY BECAUSE OF COURSE HIGH U.S. INFLATION ESSENTIALLY MEANS YOUR CURRENCY IS LOSING ITS VALUE AND THERE IS PRESSURE ON -- A LITTLE BIT OF PRESSURE ON THE U.S. DOLLAR TODAY.
>>> THERE IS YOUR QUICK LOOK AT THE COMMODITY MARKET.
LET'S GET TO SOME OF TODAY'S BIG NEWS STORIES.
CAMECO SAYS IT PLANS TO INCREASE PRODUCTION OVER THE NEXT FEW YEARS BUT THE URANIUM PRODUCER SAYS IT WILL STILL OPERATE AT LESS THAN CAPACITY AS IT MANAGES SUPPLY.
NOW PROFIT OF DID SLIP IN THE LATEST QUARTER BUT IT TOPPED ANALYSTS' ESTIMATES AND THE COMPANY IS RAISING ITS DIVIDEND 50%.
WE WILL HAVE MORE LATER IN THE SHOW.
INVESTORS LIKE THESE NUMBERS FROM CAMECO.
>>> LET'S CHECK IN ON SHARES IN CANOPY GROWTH.
REVENUE WAS DOWN IN THE CANNABIS GIANT'S LATEST QUARTER.
THE STOCK MOVING UP.
RESULTS GENERALLY TOPPING ANALYSTS' EXPECTATIONS -- OR
ADJUSTED PROFIT CAME IN SLIGHTLY
BELOW ESTIMATES. MARGINS WERE HURT BY PRICING PRESSURE IN THE CANADIAN RECREATIONAL BUSINESS AS WELL AS HIGHER COSTS FOR SHIPPING, DISTRIBUTION AND WAREHOUSING. DAVID GEORGE-COSH WILL HAVE MORE LATER IN THE SHOW.

>>> HERE IS A LOOK AT WHO WE HAVE COMING UP ON "COMMODITIES" TODAY.

FRANCISCO BLANCH JOINS US HEAD OF GLOBAL COMMODITIES AT BANK OF AMERICA GLOBAL RESEARCH. HE'S BEEN TALKING ABOUT 120-DOLLAR OIL. WE WILL SEE IF WE CAN GET A TIME OUT OF HIM, WHEN DOES HE THINK CRUDE WILL GET TO THAT LEVEL.

>>> WE ARE ALSO GOING TO TALK TO SCOTT FINNING, CEO OF FINNING INTERNATIONAL.

I AM SORRY. WHAT AM I SAYING.

SCOTT THOMPSON CEO OF FINNING INTERNATIONAL YELLOW METAL. WE WILL TALK ABOUT WHAT HE IS SEEING. STRONG DEMAND FOR EQUIPMENT.

>>> WE WILL HEAR FROM THE CEO OF CORVUS ENERGY WHICH IS ROLLING OUT LITHIUM BATTERIES FOR SHIPPING. SHIPPING IS A HUGE SOURCE OF POLLUTION AND THESE GUYS ARE TRYING TO FIGHT THAT. THEY ARE WORKING IN CANADA. OKAY, LET'S GET BACK TO OIL. WE DID SEE THAT DROP IN U.S. CRUDE STOCKPILES TODAY. WHAT DOES IT MEAN R WE LOOKING AT THE POTENTIAL SUPPLY CRUNCH.

BILL BARUCH PRESIDENT OF BLUE LINE FUTURES. THANKS FOR SEEING US. COULD WE SEE A REAL SHORTAGE OF OIL GLOBALLY?

>> THIS IS WHAT WE ARE SEEING RIGHT NOW. THIS IS WHAT'S DRIVING PRICES IS
SPARE CAPACITY.
There is a big theory that spare capacity is much less than people were thinking or originally had thought six, nine months ago.
News this morning stayed that OPEC-PLUS in January produced 700,000 barrels less than their ceiling gives it.
I think the major driver really right now is OPEC-PLUS producing below that affected only two countries within OPEC-PLUS have the ability to produce at pre-pandemic levels being Saudi Arabia and UAE not to mention UAE is having to strike down drones a couple of times a week so geopolitics are a tail wind in the Middle East and Russia, Ukraine.
What most stood out to me today API's numbers private survey paved wait for a bullish report today and this is really kind of surpassed that bar that was set but cushion 2.8 million barrels that's telling us that it's very tight physical market here in the U.S. and then across the board from some of my contacts continuously telling me how tight these markets are it's been a big driver.
Continuing to be a big driver that really starts in Washington policy here in Washington that's what's really and around the world that's what we are seeing and that's what's driving things.
>> Andrew: What do you mean policy in Washington, Bill?
>> Well, what you are seeing here is rising payment. The first came right away and President Biden and came out Keystone pipeline and then you are also seeing some fear here
That the Fed banking chief would be Raskin who has it out for energy in this whole climate change agenda [ bleep ] really tighten the strips on producers. And you know what the Raskin will potentially do is remove credit. The ability for producers to pull credit and so this whole shift away from energy is just without a plan and without a back bone in order to move in the future. It sounds nice to energy transition away from energy and be able to help the climate but there is no real plan to get there. Again if they tighten credit on producers, you know it will hurt production in the future as well and bringing that production [ bleep ]. IEA mentioned in the short-term they do expect more production to come back on but they also said that OECD inventories are at the lowest levels since 2014. The policy error is there and the policy error has been a big tail wind. You still have some supply chain bottlenecks that are keeping that production from coming back. Look at the UAE and Saudi Arabia being the only two able to meet those levels.

>> Andrew: What about gasoline prices in the states? A headline in the USA today if you are driving a medium sized car in America it's cost you 12 bucks more per tank of gas than it did a year ago.

>> Yes. It's part of inflation. Those tailwinds moving things as well. China is -- there really is a
COLD WAR TAKING PLACE RIGHT NOW THAT NO ONE WANTS TO ACKNOWLEDGE.
CHINA IS BUYING ALL THE COMMODITIES THEY CAN GET THEIR HANDS ON RIGHT NOW.
LOOK AT SOYBEANS MOVING.
OBVIOUSLY THERE IS SOME TAILWINDS COMING FROM BRAZIL.
WE HAVE SOME U.S. PLANTING IN EXPECTATION DATA NUMBERS HERE TODAY BUT LOOK AT COMMODITIES ACROSS THE BOARD.
COPPER, CRUDE OIL, SOYBEANS, OTHER AGRICULTURE COMMODITIES.
CHINA IS DOING EVERYTHING THEY CAN TO BUY ALL THE COMMODITIES THEY CAN.
IT'S NOT JUST AN ENERGY STORY ALTHOUGH THE POLICY ERROR IS MAKING ENERGY MOVE MUCH FASTER AND OUTPACE OTHER COMMODITIES.
>> Andrew: WHAT ABOUT COPPER.
GIVE US YOUR TAKE THERE, BILL. I KNOW WE ARE SWITCHING, PIVOTING.
DO YOU THINK THE DEMAND PROSPECTS FOR COPPER ARE GOOD?
WE KNOW THERE ARE SUPPLY CONSTRAINTS.
>> WHAT YOU ARE SEEING RIGHT NOW IS THAT TRANSITION AWAY FROM ENERGY AND WHETHER IT BE ELECTRIC VEHICLES OR OTHER TRANSITIONS BUT SPECIFICALLY WHEN YOU START LOOKING AT DOWN THAT ROAD COPPER BECOMES SOMETHING THAT’S GOING TO BE HIGH AND HIGHER DEMAND AND AS WELL OTHER BASE METALS, PLATINUM BEING ANOTHER AND THERE IS A BIG TAIL WIND THAT WILL BE BEHIND THESE METALS AND THE IRONIC THING IS THE CONDITIONS IN THESE MINES REALLY ARE NOTHING TO WRITE HOME ABOUT EITHER.
YOU HEAR PEOPLE PARADE AROUND WASHINGTON ABOUT TRANSITION AWAY FROM ENERGY BUT WHAT’S THE OTHER GOAL AT THE END OF THE OTHER
SIDE OF THE END ZONE HERE IS AN ISSUE IN ITSELF.
NO, I THINK WHAT WE ARE REALLY SEEING IS THERE IS A RACE TO ON COMMODITIES RIGHT NOW AND THAT WILL BE A CONTINUED DRIVER AS THE GLOBAL ECONOMIES ARE IN THIS PANDEMIC RECOVERY.
YES, FED WILL TIGHTEN POLICY BUT I DON'T THINK WHAT THEY WILL DO IS REALLY GOING TO HURT THESE MAJOR COMMODITY TAIL WINDS.
I THINK WE'RE INTO A BIG SORT OF SECULAR BULL MARKET IN COMMODITIES RIGHT NOW.
>> Andrew: ONLY 15 SECONDS