

DAILY METALS COMMENTARY Tuesday March 26, 2024

PRECIOUS METALS COMMENTARY 3/26/2024

Look for a post durable goods dip to get long

OVERNIGHT CHANGES THROUGH 4:10 AM (CT): GOLD N/A, SILVER -0.01, PLATINUM N/A

OUTSIDE MARKET DEVELOPMENTS: Overnight global equity markets were mixed again with the markets in Asia showing strength and European stocks trading around unchanged. Critical economic news released overnight included a significant drop in Australian Westpac Consumer Confidence for March, level Japanese corporate services price index readings for February, not as bad as feared



German Gfk Consumer Confidence Survey readings for April, and as expected Spanish GDP readings for the fourth quarter. The North American session will start out with a weekly private survey of same store sales followed by February US durable goods which are expected to have a sizable uptick from January's -6.1% reading. The January Case-Shiller home price index is forecast to have a modest uptick from December's 6.1% year-over-year rate. The January FHFA house price index is expected to hold steady with December's 0.1% reading. The Conference Board's March reading on US consumer confidence is forecast to have a mild uptick from February's 106.7 reading. The Richmond Fed's March manufacturing index is expected to have a minimal uptick from February's -5 reading. February Canadian wholesale sales are forecast to have a minimal uptick from January's 0.1% reading. Earnings announcements will include McCormick & Company before the Wall Street opening.

MARKET FUNDAMENTALS: With a weaker US dollar and an initial higher high for the move in Bitcoin, outside market forces favor the bull camp in gold and silver. Certainly, gold will continue to draft support from the long list of flight to quality issues, but signs of an overbought condition in the Indian gold market is concerning. With growing concerns of exploding gold loans, the Reserve Bank of India has instructed the country's largest gold loan non-bank finance company to halt fresh gold loans, and there are reports that Indian buyers are experiencing price shock. Another sign of price shock is seen from outflows from gold and silver ETF holdings yesterday, with silver holdings dropping by a massive 4.5 million ounces. While there will be two US inflation related reports today, the main report for gold and silver this week will be Thursday's US PCE report which we think will leave inflation concerns in place but not radically changed. However, we expect gold and silver will see residual spillover support from bullish sentiment toward bitcoin after yesterday's gain of 8.5%. Looking ahead to today's action, the gold market will likely face a temporary recovery in the dollar following a very modest rebound in US durable goods. Uptrend channel support in June gold is now \$2,193.75, with near-term upside targeting of \$2,213.60. Similar uptrend channel support in May silver today is \$24.84 with near-term upside targeting today pegged at \$25.37.

TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS:

While we expect gold and silver to show temporary corrective action through early US scheduled data, yesterday's sharp range up action reconfirms the uptrend which is further enhanced by the sharp range up recovery in Bitcoin yesterday and minor upside follow through today. In fact, Bitcoin looks poised to reach \$75,000 this week and that should increase the chances of June gold regaining a large measure of the correction from last Thursday's spike high.

NEW RECOMMENDATIONS:

None

PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS:

None

COPPER COMMENTARY 3/26/2024

The bias remains down Chinese demand news absent

GENERAL: With a lower low for the move early today the copper market did not see upbeat comments from the Chinese premier downplaying the threats against the Chinese economy as realistic. In fact, sentiment toward China failed to improve despite indications yesterday from top Chinese officials indicating the country would now work hard to facilitate foreign business ventures. On the other hand, Chinese equity markets overnight posted some gains, the dollar is trading lower and LME copper warehouse stocks posted a modest decline. However, even with a positive US durable goods report this



morning, the path of least resistance may remain down in copper. Unfortunately for the bull camp the Chinese currency has weakened overnight thereby offsetting the potential support from a weaker US dollar. From a technical perspective, May copper showed the capacity to reject probes below the \$4.00 level on the charts in each of the prior two trading sessions, but that level failed to hold overnight. With an increase in LME copper stocks yesterday of 4,050 tonnes, the trade saw a third increase in the last four sessions and a 3 1/2 week high, but keep in mind that inventories had declined in 38 out of the last 44 trading sessions. Unfortunately for the bull camp, the International Copper Study Group forecast a large surplus and Shanghai copper warehouse stocks have risen significantly over the last five weeks.

MARKET IDEAS:

The path of least resistance remains down in copper, with the market unable to respect the \$4.00 for a 3rd straight trading session. Fortunately for the bull camp a weaker dollar and higher Chinese equities is discouraging some would be sellers early today.

NEW RECOMMENDATIONS:

None.

PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS:

None.

METALS TECHNICAL OUTLOOK:

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COMEX GOLD (JUN) 03/26/2024: Momentum studies trending lower at mid-range should accelerate a move lower if support levels are taken out. The market's short-term trend is positive on the close above the 9-day moving average. With the close higher than the pivot swing number, the market is in a slightly bullish posture. The next downside target is now at 2176.6. The next area of resistance is around 2203.1 and 2212.6, while 1st support hits today at 2185.1 and below there at 2176.6.

COMEX SILVER (MAY) 03/26/2024: Momentum studies trending lower at mid-range should accelerate a move lower if support levels are taken out. The market's short-term trend is negative as the close remains below the 9-day moving average. It is a slightly negative indicator that the close was lower than the pivot swing number. The next downside target is 24.523. The next area of resistance is around 24.985 and 25.182, while 1st support hits today at 24.655 and below there at 24.523.

COMEX PLATINUM (JUL) 03/26/2024: Momentum studies trending lower at mid-range should accelerate a move lower if support levels are taken out. A negative signal for trend short-term was given on a close under the 9-bar moving average. With the close higher than the pivot swing number, the market is in a slightly bullish posture. The next downside target is 897.33. The next area of resistance is around 925.25 and 934.72, while 1st support hits today at 906.55 and below there at 897.33.

COMEX COPPER (MAY) 03/26/2024: Momentum studies trending lower at mid-range could accelerate a price break if support levels are broken. A negative signal for trend short-term was given on a close under the 9-bar moving average. The daily closing price reversal up is a positive indicator that could support higher prices. It is a slightly negative indicator that the close was under the swing pivot. The next downside target is now at 3.96. The next area of resistance is around 4.03 and 4.07, while 1st support hits today at 3.99 and below there at 3.96.

DAILY TECHNICAL STATISTICS

	CLOSE	9 DAY RSI	14 DAY RSI	14 DAY SLOW STOCH D	14 DAY SLOW STOCH K	4 DAY M AVG	9 DAY M AVG	18 DAY M AVG	45 DAY M AVG	60 DAY M AVG
METALS COMPLEX										
GCEM24	2194.1	61.09	63.30	73.19	63.95	2199.68	2192.99	2177.26	2106.84	2100.69
SIEK24	24.820	56.84	59.11	73.72	63.26	24.94	25.09	24.60	23.63	23.59
PLAN24	915.90	48.69	49.31	47.40	37.11	914.23	927.59	923.10	916.87	926.96
CPAK24	4.01	53.59	56.55	71.40	62.27	4.03	4.06	3.97	3.89	3.87
PAAM24	1013.30	49.38	51.01	52.23	43.27	1007.68	1034.59	1019.45	979.25	989.12

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DAILY SWING STATISTICS

Contract		Support 2	Support 1	Pivot	Resist 1	Resist 2						
METALS COMPLEX												
GCEM24	COMEX Gold	2176.6	2185.1	2194.6	2203.1	2212.6						
SIEK24	COMEX Silver	24.522	24.654	24.852	24.985	25.182						
PLAN24	COMEX Platinum	897.32	906.55	916.02	925.25	934.72						
CPAK24	COMEX Copper	3.95	3.98	4.01	4.03	4.07						
PAAM24	COMEX Palladium	992.27	1000.55	1017.77	1026.05	1043.27						

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