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No one holds all of the keys to successful trading; the ideas are passed on from trader to trader as trading techniques evolve with the markets. So, in a sense, this is more than just my book, it’s theirs also.

INTRODUCTION

Traders Press takes pride in making this book available to the trading public. It represents an especially worthwhile contribution to trading literature, given the virtual nonexistence of any worthwhile material, at this writing, on the subject of day trading in individual stocks. Further adding to its value is the fact that it is written by a serious trader, who teaches what **DOES** work in the real world (based on personal experience) instead of what **SHOULD** work (based on theory).

The genesis for the material came from Barry Rudd's work in codifying his own trading strategies to improve himself as a trader. The ideas came both from friends who were successful traders, as well as his own experience with SOES trading. The book relates his intraday trend trading approach for stocks, and provides a scalping approach designed around the same trade entry setups but with the intent of small, quick profits. Mr. Rudd has made a living for well over a year using the methods he describes in his book.

This book was formerly privately published by the author in two manuals, one titled *Stock Patterns for Day Trading and Swing Trading*, and the other a *Scalping Module*. Any references herein to separate manuals were in the original material. Both of the original manuals have been combined in this book.

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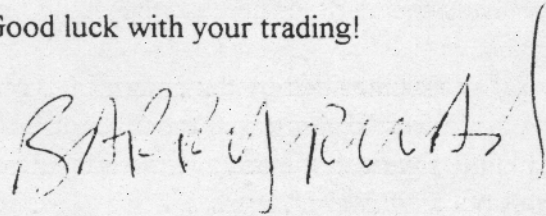
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FOREWORD

I have not come across very many books on day trading stocks. Of the ones available, very few offer good, reliable strategies that can actually be applied in the vocation of day trading. Based on this, I have assimilated what I have learned from other successful traders, as well as what I have learned through my own experience. Since I have traded futures, stocks, and options over the past ten years, I have seen many people fall by the wayside for lack of a sound methodology and good money management. I want you to learn the techniques and strategies that will allow you to become a successful trader. Most books on day trading are long on theory and short on results. This manual bridges the gap between knowledge about the market and the ability to actually trade the market successfully. My hope is that you will use this manual to enhance your trading skills and achieve more consistent profits.

Good luck with your trading!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Barry R. R. A.", written in a cursive style. The signature is positioned below the text "Good luck with your trading!".

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INTRADAY TREND METHODOLOGY

This manual is your toolbox for finding high probability trades for success as you trade the stock market. The technical ideas are primarily crafted around the personality of the NASDAQ market but may also be implemented in New York trades. The theory behind what you'll be reading hinges upon stock price movement which is reflected in daily and intraday bar charts. Many approaches to trading are espoused in books and address how to find, enter, and manage your trades. However, you will not find anything in publication or in training which provides you with the experience, dollar potential, and detail behind the trading methodology that is explained in this manual.

These methods are the same ones that have provided some of the earliest electronic (computer) day traders with profits which mounted into hundreds of thousands per year. Although this trading style is sound and profitable, it also must incorporate the art and mental discipline of each person who applies it. This is why many actual chart examples are provided to give you a feel for what really works. You will learn to time your trade entries and exits from experience with the aid of some helpful tips in later chapters. Be a student of the market and learn how each individual stock moves, its personality, and how the main overall market indexes affect the stock's movement on a daily and intraday basis.

This method looks for price patterns which typically set up for an intraday trend in a stock. Entering the trade is only the first (and probably the easiest) part of trading. How do you know where to exit if the trade goes against you? When do you exit if you have an open profit? You have to manage the trade based on the principle that the stock has chosen a direction for the day, and you are on board for the ride. This means you have to be willing to give the trade the room for price pullbacks against your direction of the trade. The idea is that on a buy setup a stock will move up, then pull back some, move up to make a higher high on the day, pull back some etc. as it continues its upward movement into the end of the day. Likewise, on a sell setup, the stock will move down to make a new low, then rally some, move down to make a lower low on the day, rally some etc. as it continues its downward movement. You want to stay on board for as much of the ride as possible and not exit the trade too soon and miss out on a substantial profit. These pullbacks are known as "wiggles" and are explained under the "terms and definitions" section of this manual. Each stock usually has its own particular "wiggle" which can be determined based on the information provided later in the manual. Although there are times when a stock will reach a price where you will "cut" (or exit) the trade at a likely profit target, the key to this methodology's success is letting your winners run by giving them "wiggle" room.

Once you have evaluated a stock and taken a position in it, you have to follow your trade exit rules established using principles from this manual. Don't be too quick to take a profit. The methodology by which you chose that particular trade is sound and you should manage it that way. You've chosen that stock for a large intraday trend move. Sometimes a stock will immediately move in your direction and provide a good sized open

profit. Give it wiggle room to continue for further profit. Other stocks are slower in their response. Be patient and give them the chance to make their move. The reason you chose the trade was based on high probabilities. Let the odds work for you and stick to your guns as you manage the exit. As you near the end of the trading session you may want to take profits on current open positions, especially in the last 30 minutes as you assess the stock and the overall market direction.

Money management must be an integral part of your trading. You always cut your losers and let your winners run. Although this is common sense and sounds simple, it is often hard to stick to. This is why mental discipline is so important when managing your trades during the day. On the stocks that you will be trading, an initial loss of 1/4 point (and sometimes 3/8 point) is strictly adhered to. Once a trade has moved far enough in your favor and you have an open profit, the “standard wiggle” for a stock kicks in as a trailing stop-loss. This is explained in more detail later.

The day trade setups are based purely on price action from the daily bar chart and intraday 5 minute bar chart. The only mathematical indicators used are the 50 and 200 day simple moving average lines based on the daily closes. Simplicity is your friend in this game. Get too technical and the probabilities of success begin to fade.

Since this manual is not geared toward scalping, you will only be taking the highest probability price setups which have the potential for a 1+ point move on the day. Any trade that offers less profit potential will usually be passed up. The characteristics of these setups are defined for you with textbook graphs as well as actual examples.

Which stocks will you be trading? This question will also be answered so that you will have a universe of stocks on a “ticker” screen that you follow regularly and will come to recognize the price movement personality of each one. Trade only the most “trader-friendly” stocks that provide the least downside risk along with the best profit opportunity. You will be given the criterion for these stocks so that you can easily choose which ones that you will want to follow.

The manual is divided into two main sections; day trading and swing trading. For day trading you are initially presented the intraday 5 minute bar chart trade setups. This is followed by a section on 1 to 3 daily bar chart setups as well as longer term setups for high probability day trades. Expected price support and resistance areas are then described. All descriptions will include exhaustive actual examples and how they typically play out. Since timing of entry and exit are extremely important, I’ve also included a section covering the market maker and time of sale screens. These components are all used together to trade the best price setups, long or short, for your day trading success in the market.

The section on “swing trading” addresses trade setups that are geared for multiple day holds (typically 2 to 5 days). These are obviously traded differently than the above described day trade setups. Finally, a worksheet is provided that gives you a template for

analyzing high probability setups for both day trades and swing trades coming into the following day.

Many chart examples are included with commentary. This provides you a real world feel for how these trades set up and how they tend to play out in actual “live” trading.

NOTE: Thoroughly read through the section covering “terms and definitions” before moving on to the rest of the manual. They are key to fully understanding and applying the trading methodology.

WHY USE PRICE BAR CHARTS

Price bar charts paint a graphic picture of a stock's price movements both during the day with the 5 minute bars, and longer term with the daily bars. The picture unfolds showing short and long term supply and demand and how it has moved the stock's price. This helps pinpoint specific areas of buying or selling pressure as they develop. The bar charts alert you to this "at a glance" when the bars trade into a tight range that hugs up or down against a certain price (usually the day's current high or low). This consolidation creates a price "compression" point where pressure builds and is finally released when the price level that held the stock is penetrated. Often this penetration is the beginning of an intraday trend. By monitoring different stock charts throughout the day, a trader can quickly identify these pattern setups. Since the trader knows which stocks are currently setting up for a potential move, he or she has the edge of catching the beginning of a good trade. The advantages of using a daily bar chart in conjunction with the 5 minute bar chart are covered throughout the manual. Using the 5 minute bar chart in particular gives you an edge over other market participants in 3 ways:

- It allows you to follow a larger number of stocks, because all it takes is a quick glance at the chart to see if a trade is setting up. With more stocks on your ticker, more trading opportunities are uncovered and therefore more potential profits are available.
- The specific price bar setups in the manual make sure you are entering the stock at the beginning of the initial move leading to a higher success rate per trade and a larger average profit per trade.
- Since these price pattern setups reflect compression built up against the day's current high or low, the breakout is a very high-odds trade. The success rate of the stock's chosen direction far exceeds the random movements ("noise") back and forth in price throughout most of the day.

Without charts you are only looking at a snapshot of price in time. So much more can be seen with charts to give you an edge. Trading without charts is like flying blind!

TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

DAY TRADE - Refers to entering and exiting a stock on the same day, typically using 1000 shares.

SWING TRADE - In this manual "swing trading" describes trades that may last from 2 to 5 days or more. You are looking for a bigger price move than you normally would in a day trade -- trying to catch a larger price "swing".

DAILY BAR CHART - A daily bar shows the open, high, low, and close of a day's trading activity for a stock.

INTRADAY BAR CHART - An intraday bar chart shows a stock's price movement during the day, usually with 5 minute bars.

SUPPORT & RESISTANCE - (also referred to as "S/R") Price support and resistance are areas on a chart that have halted past price movement. A support area tends to halt downward price action, and resistance often halts upward price movement. You can visually see these on both daily and intraday bar charts. It may help to draw a horizontal line through these areas. The significance of support and resistance is to determine if a potential trade setup has enough room to give you a reasonable profit before the stock stalls at one of these S/R areas. Also, a penetration up through a resistance area may open the door for follow-through in the stock's upward movement. Conversely, a penetration down through a support area may then enable the stock to more easily continue its downward movement.

CONSOLIDATION (daily and intraday) - Is when the stock trades in a tight, well defined price range for more than a few price bars. Consolidation can be seen on both the intraday and daily time frames simply by looking at the chart. On an intraday basis, consolidation at the high of the day or at the low of the day can be a potential setup to enter a trade on the breakout to new highs or lows. Price "congestion" is somewhat different and applies primarily to the daily chart. Usually it is best not to trade a stock while it is congested (i.e., has a lot of daily bars clustered together side by side without a well defined support or resistance area). This is characteristic of choppy price movement. Wait for the stock to break out of a congestion area and begin moving before you trade it

PRICE "CONGESTION" - This is when a stock trades in a sideways, choppy manner without a definite direction or trend. It can easily be seen on a daily chart. Avoid trading stocks while they are in this mode. Wait for the price to move out of the congestion area or until it has a good consolidation type breakout setup as described in the price setup patterns of this manual.

WIDE RANGE (W/R) BAR W/ EXTREME CLOSE - See "1 to 3 daily bar" section

REVERSAL BAR(S) - See "1 to 3 daily bar" section

BREAKOUT - Consider a stock that has consolidated against a price level for several bars (especially on the 5 minute chart). The point where it breaks beyond that price level is called the "breakout" and often is the beginning of a short to intermediate term move in the direction of the breakout.

FILL-PRICE - When you put an order out to buy or sell a stock, the actual price at which it is executed is called the "fill-price".

WIGGLE - Wiggle refers to the intraday price action of a stock. When entering a day trade you are expecting the stock to begin trending in your direction on the 5 minute bar chart. Usually price doesn't go straight up or down. If you are long, the stock will typically rally, then pull back, rally to a new intraday high, then pull back, etc. The question is: How far do you let a stock pull back against the direction of the trade before you exit? You don't want to get out too soon and leave further profits "on the table". To solve this problem, look at the past 5+ days of a stock's 5 minute bar chart. On trending days, determine how far a stock pulls back on average before continuing the trend. If the average pullback is 1/2 point then you should allow that much room for the stock to "wiggle" before it resumes its trend. Each stock tends to have its own particular wiggle amount ranging anywhere from 1/2 to 1+ points. Usually 5/8 to 3/4 points will hold the stocks that you will be trading. This does not mean that if you buy a stock at 40 that you exit at 39 3/8 for a 5/8 loss. You always use an initial stop-loss of 1/4 (sometimes 3/8) from your entry price. Once the stock moves up to 40 3/8 you would then begin trailing your exit point 5/8 behind the stock's current high as it continues to move up. This example assumes a 5/8 standard wiggle for that stock.

STANDARD WIGGLE - Each stock has its own price movement personality. What you determine as the typical wiggle for a particular stock can be referred to as that stock's "standard wiggle". Be aware that these can change over time, so they may need to be updated occasionally.

WIGGLED OUT - Once you are in a trade, you then manage it based on giving it the wiggle room to continue the anticipated intraday trend. If at some point the stock retraces back beyond its standard wiggle amount, you immediately exit the trade. You are then said to have been "wiggled out" (hopefully with a good profit).

STOP-LOSS - This is your mental exit price from a trade that you have entered. It is initially 1/4 point (sometimes 3/8 point) from your actual "fill-price" when you have taken a long or short position in a stock. If the stock moves against you, you exit the trade and are said to be "stopped out" for a loss. On the other hand, if the stock moves in your favor you convert to a trailing stop when your open profit + initial stop-loss (1/4) is equal to the wiggle for that particular stock. Therefore, if a stock's wiggle is 5/8 point then you must have an open profit of 3/8 point before you begin adjusting your exit point. You are

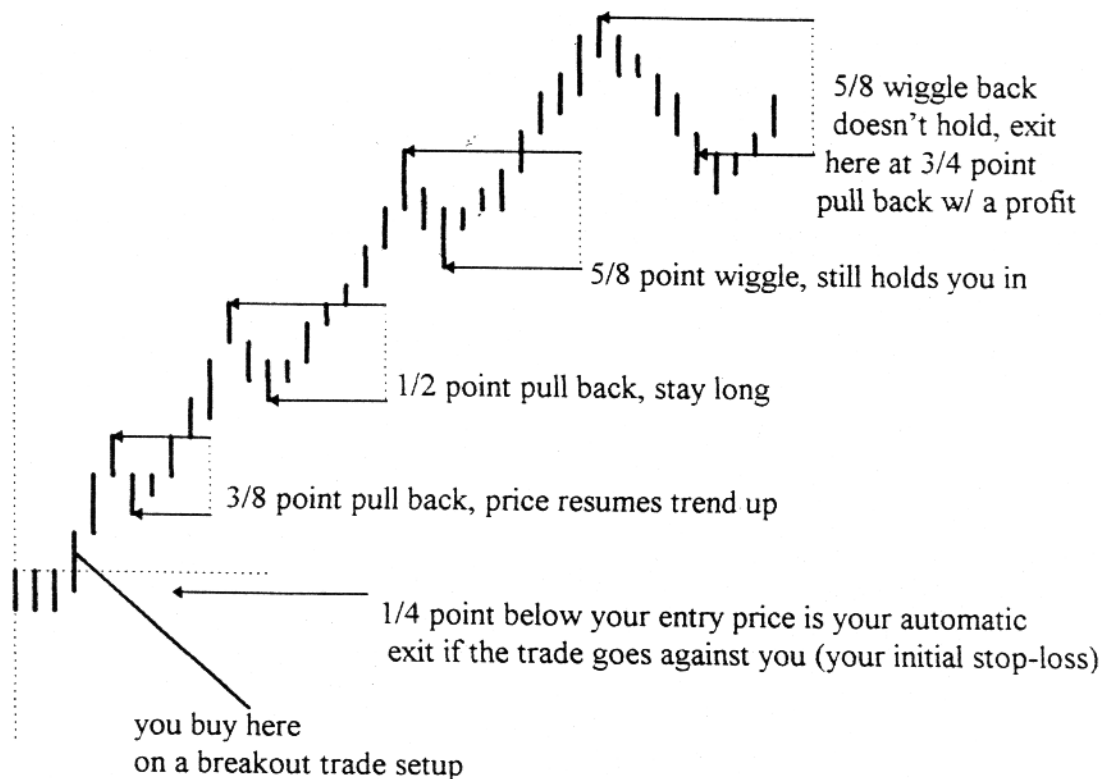
then trailing your mental exit price in the direction of the trade to lock in profits. Strictly adhere to your initial and subsequent trailing stop-losses. It is an integral part of money management.

SCALPING - Scalping is a style of trading based on taking small, quick profits. If a stock has a momentum surge in price, the trader quickly buys or sells in the direction of the price movement. He or she then puts out a bid or offer anywhere from 1/16 to 1/4 point from the fill price before the momentum surge slows. Hopefully their bid or offer is taken and a quick profit made on their 1000 share trade. A scalp trade will typically last from just a few seconds to a minute or two. To make a decent profit scalping requires a significant number of trades and a high success rate per trade. Only one mistake can wipe out 5 or more profitable trades when you take into consideration commissions and fees.

The trade-exit strategy in this particular manual is not based on scalping, although scalping is another viable way to trade the market.

HOW THE "WIGGLE" WORKS

This will graphically show you how the wiggle works by monitoring the 5 minute bar chart after you enter a day trade. Assume a $5/8$ point standard wiggle for this example. Look to the market maker screen bid/ask for timing your exit at the appropriate price.



In the above diagram assume that you bought the stock at $30 \frac{1}{8}$. This means that your initial stop-loss exit would be $29 \frac{7}{8}$ ($1/4$ point below your entry). Since this stock has a $5/8$ wiggle, you would not begin moving up (trailing) your exit price until the stock price has reached $30 \frac{1}{2}$. Once the difference between the current stock price and the initial stop-loss price of $29 \frac{7}{8}$ equals the wiggle amount of $5/8$, you begin moving your exit price up to where it is $5/8$ below the highest current price on the day. Never adjust the stop-loss back down. Every time the stock makes a higher high on the day, it pulls up the $5/8$ wiggle's exit price to help lock in profits. This gives the stock room to move around as it continues its intraday trend up. Don't just arbitrarily take a profit. Although some likely price targets are covered later, you have to let the wiggle work for you.

DAY TRADES

INTRADAY TRADING PATTERNS

(for day trading)

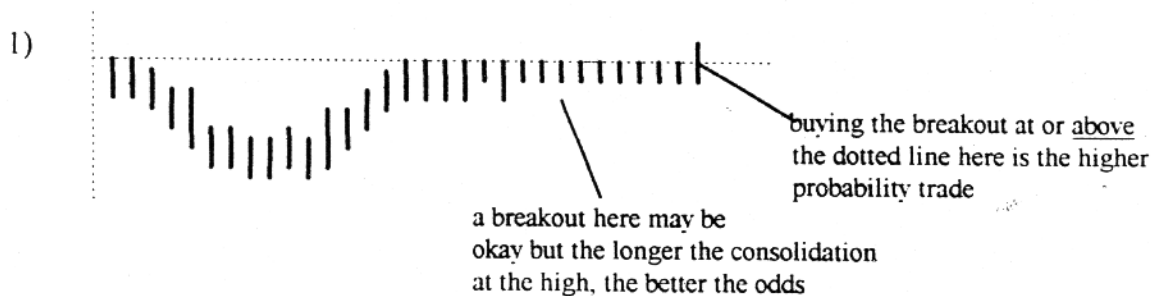
INTRODUCTION:

This section covers intraday, day trade setups using 5 minute bar charts. You will almost always be buying and selling breakouts of the current day's high or low based primarily on bar chart pattern setups. Momentum of price movement will be the key to timing the entry. Momentum can be seen with action on the market maker screen and time of sale screen. Recognizing the best setup pattern is the key to entering the highest probability trade. We will present the most consistent trade setups and where to enter long or short with diagrams. Other secondary trades which may also be taken under certain circumstances will be graphically analyzed and explained. Remember, although these rules are not set in stone, they provide the foundation of a strong, high probability methodology for choosing profitable trades. Vertical dotted lines represent the start of the day, horizontal dotted lines show support and resistance areas as well as consolidation boundaries.

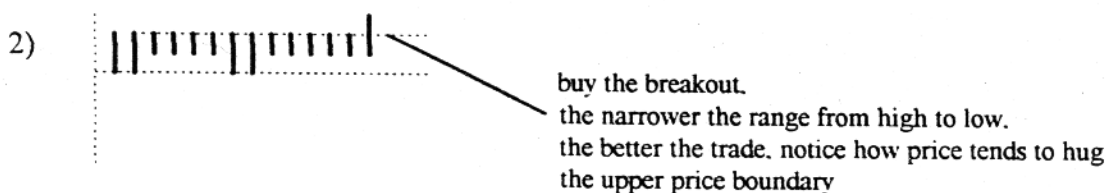
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HIGH PROBABILITY TRADES:

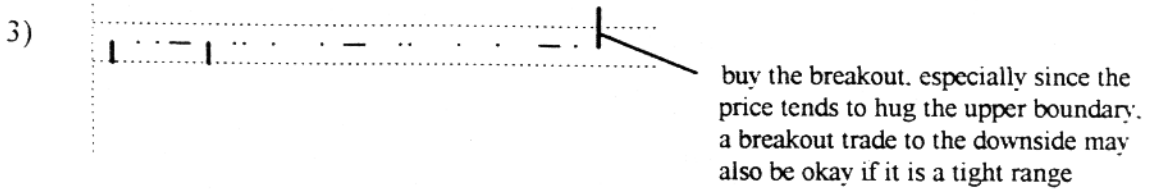
The first trade is an intraday pattern of a 5 minute bar chart that is the basic "dip and rally" setup for a buy breakout.



The consolidation at the high of the day is the key to the success of this setup, as it is with other pattern variations. The longer and tighter the consolidation, the better. This is a setup that develops through the day. Another more obvious pattern looks like this:

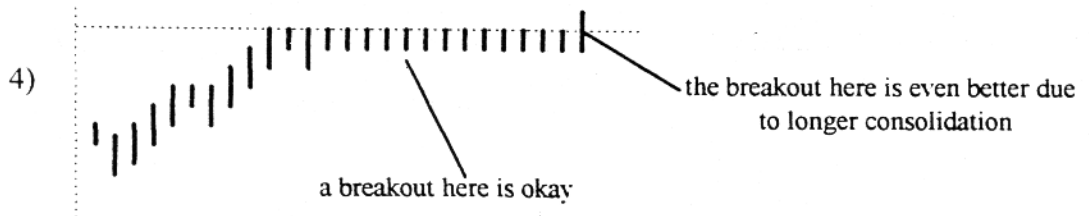


Another intraday consolidation pattern that you may see looks a bit different but it can also be a powerful setup:

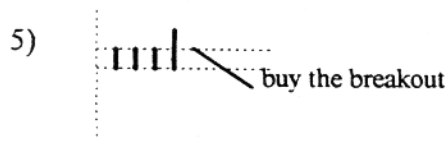


In the above setup #3, an active stock can show a deceptively illiquid intraday bar chart. The key to this chart pattern is to make sure the stock averages good volume on a daily basis (i.e. 100k shares +), and that the daily bar chart shows good room for movement to the upside without nearby price resistance. You can also keep tabs on its volume in the market maker screen.

The next chart is another common example leading to consolidation and a good breakout trade:

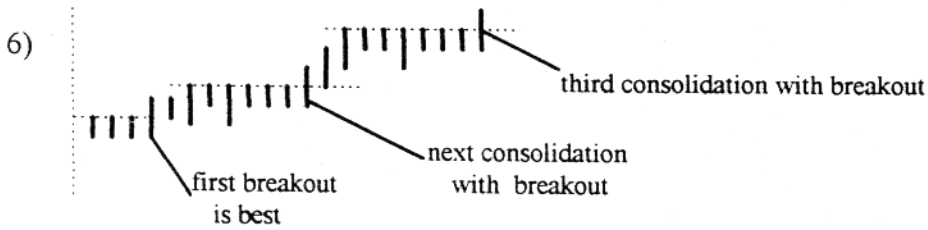


Early morning consolidation (similar to pattern #2) can be an integral part of entering trades at the start of the trading day (although it is best to wait 10 minutes before you enter a trade). This way you can catch the first and best breakout. If you are following a particular stock with the expectation of a good move on the day (or simply stumble across one with the following pattern), it may be a strong trade candidate. This is especially true if your market maker screen is moving and showing momentum coming into the breakout. The pattern consists of just a few bars on the morning and a range of only a 1/8 to 1/4.



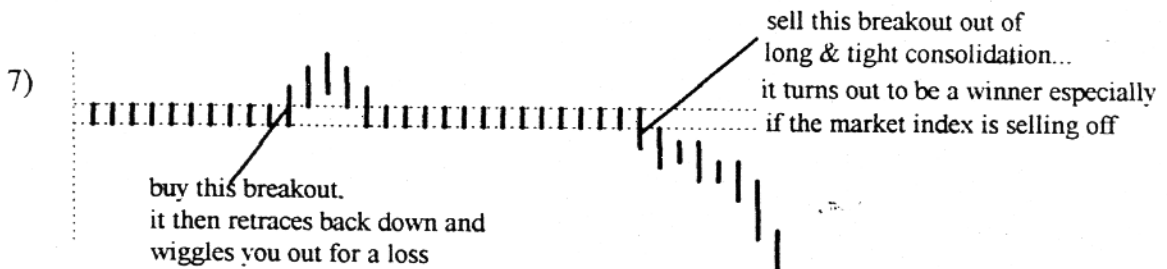
The point here is to catch the earliest breakout and best price...otherwise pass up the trade. Never chase a stock.

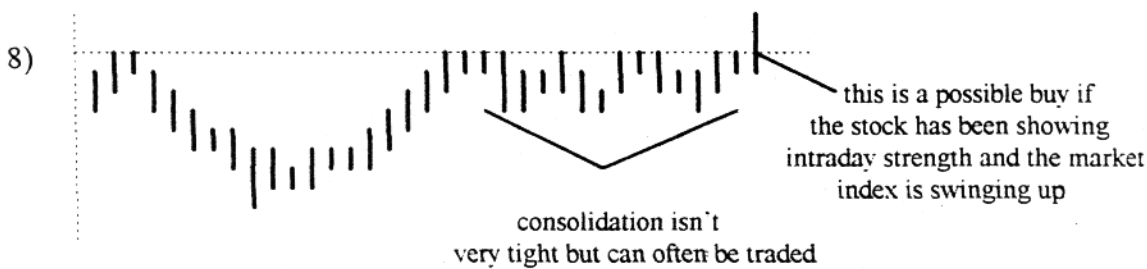
Once a breakout takes place, the stock normally begins a move. If you miss the initial breakout, other consolidation opportunities may setup in the stock as the day progresses. For example:



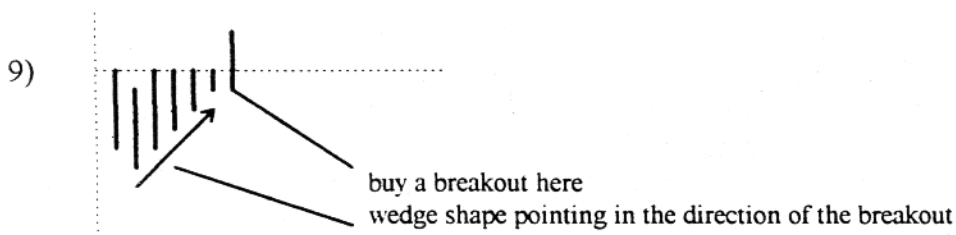
Obviously the first breakout is the best to take. The question arises as to whether you should take the second, third, fourth, etc... breakout. If you missed the earlier breakout(s), how do you know whether or not to take the next one? The best way is to know how long the overall market has been moving in a direction, and if it is losing steam. Also, consider the average daily range of the stock as well as the strength (momentum) of the breakout. If the stock often trades a 2 to 3 point daily range, then the subsequent breakouts may still have potential if the range on the day is, for example, only 1 and 1/8 points at that time. Looking at the daily historical chart will show whether the price is breaking out of a daily consolidation area and if daily support or resistance has been broken. This can often lead to a large magnitude move, even if the last few daily bars have been in a narrow price range. Again, the longer the consolidation on the 5 minute bar chart, the better the trade.

Trade setup #7 depicts 2 good trade entry points following extended consolidation. Both of them may be worth taking, even though the first trade is a losing trade. The second breakout to the downside should not necessarily be passed up just because you lost on the first setup on the same stock earlier in the day.





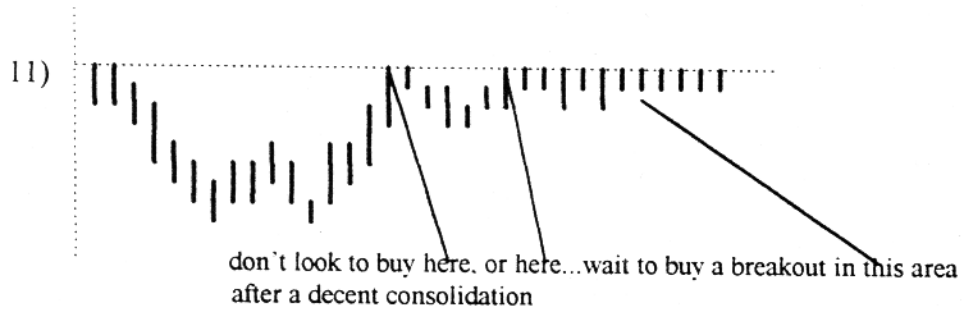
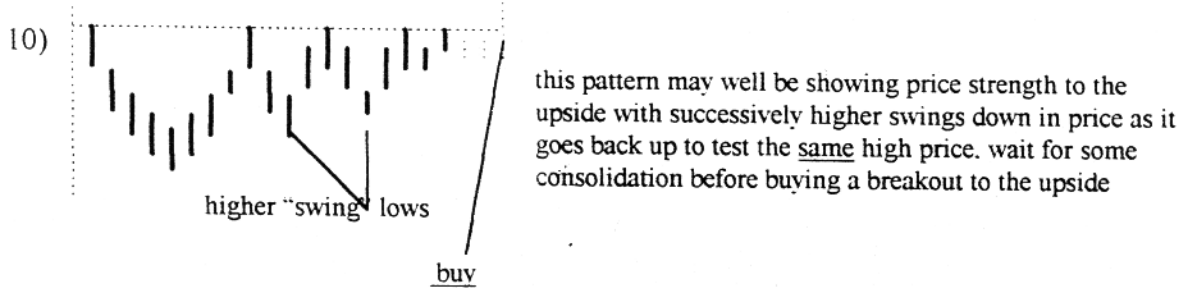
“Wedging” consolidation on the 5 minute chart, especially if it develops over the first 1 to 2 hours of trading, can precipitate strong breakout moves. This pattern usually sets up for a trade on the long side. Consolidation at the high of the day must be present and hugging the upper price boundary as the wedge pattern unfolds. Here is the buy setup:



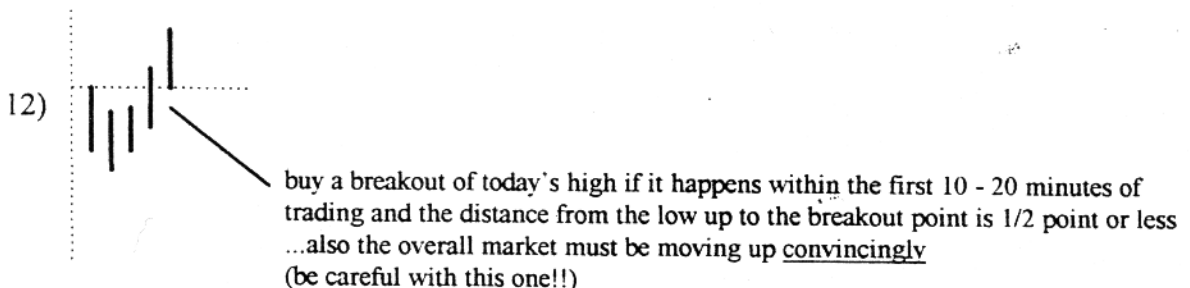
So far we've looked at the best and preferred trade setups where you should trade the breakout of the current high or low of the day out of strong consolidation...the longer the consolidation, the better. There are also a few setups that are more aggressive and may be tradable.

LOWER PROBABILITY TRADES:

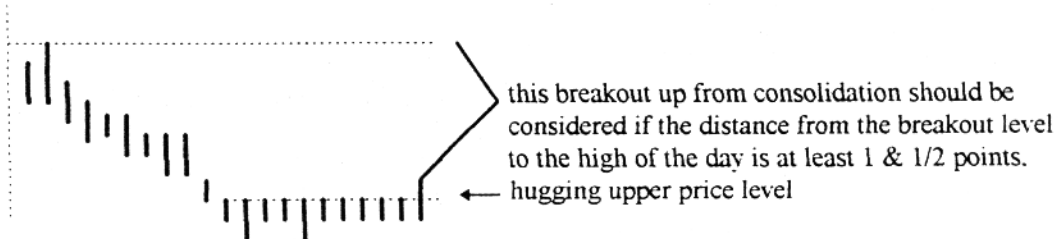
These are secondary and somewhat lower probability patterns. But when paired with other analysis, such as momentum from the market maker screen, they may be traded successfully.



The "FLASHBACK" is another morning trade based on a quick reversal in direction of a stock's price. It quickly fakes one direction, then reverses back the other way to break the current high or low of the day. Look for the market index to be moving in the same direction the trade is taken for it to be worthwhile. Here is how it sets up for a buy trade:



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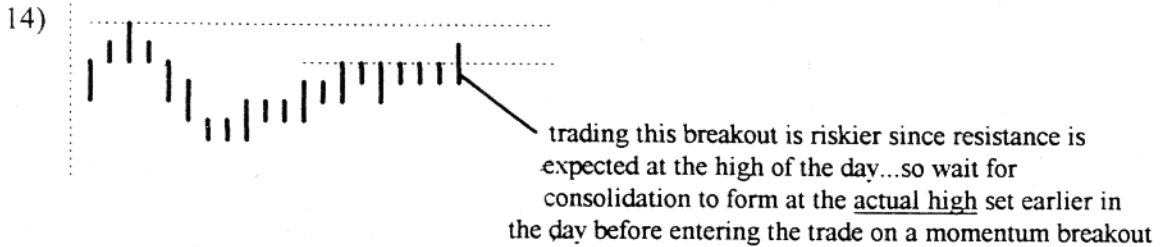


This could be considered if the overall market index begins moving up strongly and there is enough distance to the high from the breakout to make a decent profit. This is because the stock will usually meet resistance at the day's high. You could expect the stock to attempt to reach the day's earlier high. In order for the trade to yield you money there should be at least 1 & 1/2 points from the breakout point to the high of the day. These trades can be good on a day when the market runs down in the morning and then makes a smooth, rounding bottom that subsequently swings back up.

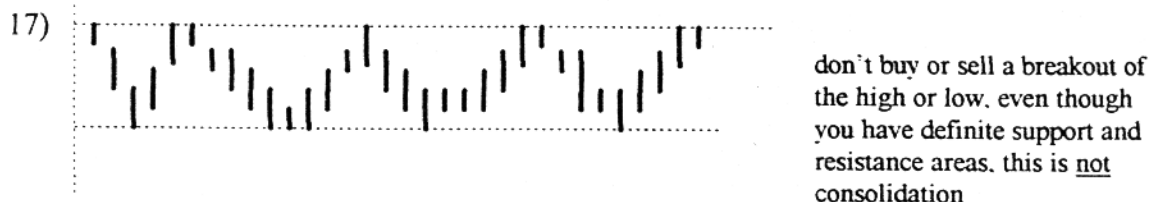
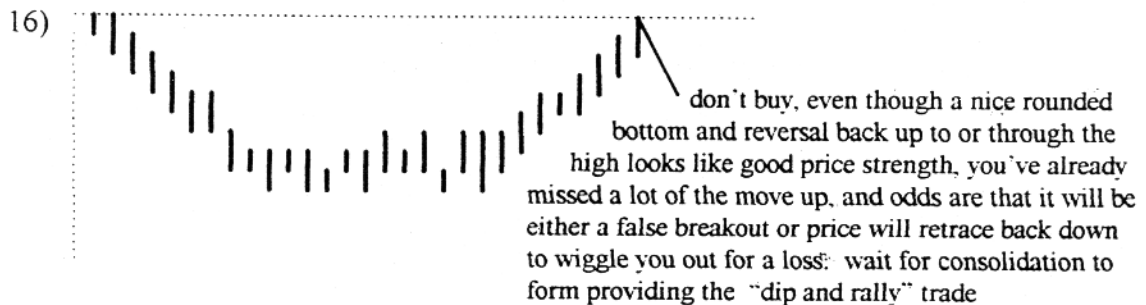
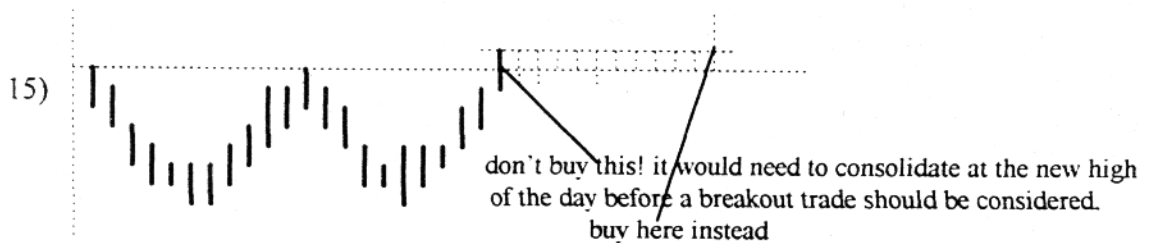
These examples are often decent trade setups that may be taken for a reasonable percentage of success. The rationale is to get in early on a strong move that will provide good follow-through.

LOWEST PROBABILITY TRADES: Be very careful with these patterns

Here are some similar and seemingly desirable price patterns that should usually not be traded unless there is another convincing reason to enter. The first is a “dip and rally” consolidation that is not quite at the high of the day:



These other patterns are all further examples of price action that probably should not be traded, even though they may look enticing:



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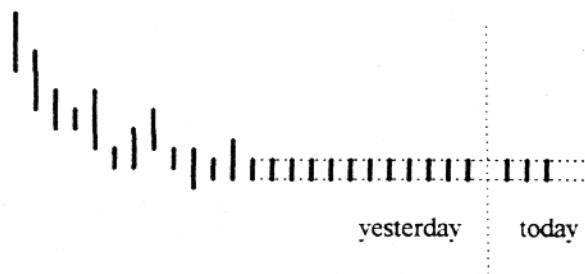
great consolidation but it's not at the high or low of the day. since you expect resistance at the high and support at the low of the day, odds are that a breakout trade will not move far enough to give you a profit, or it will reverse off the high or low and wiggle you out for a loss

SUMMARY

These have been a few graphic intraday price patterns to give you a feel for what to look for. They cover the best setups and higher risk trades, as well as what typically not to trade. Obviously these are drawn as textbook examples. Actual stock charts, as they unfold during the day, will vary somewhat.

CONCLUSION: What about yesterday's intraday price chart?

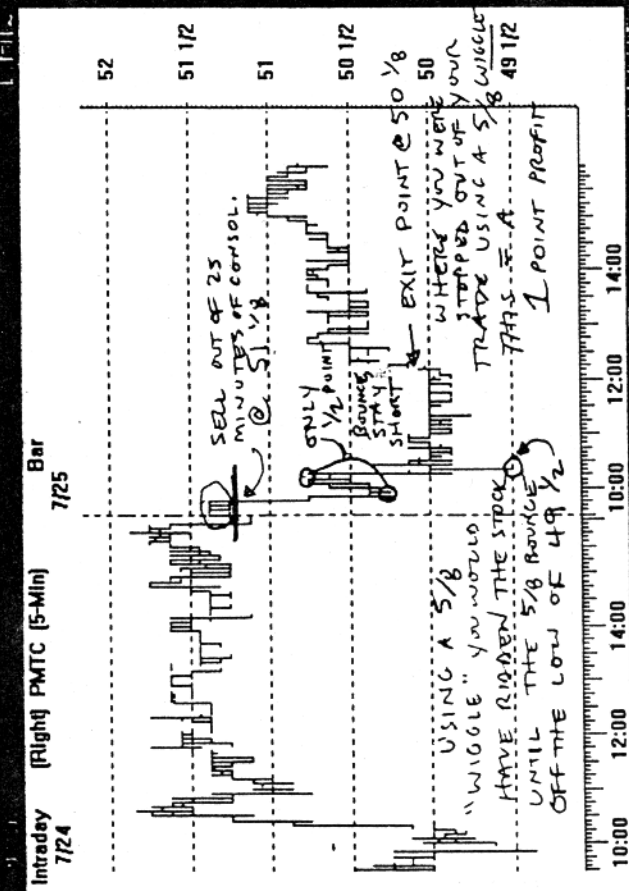
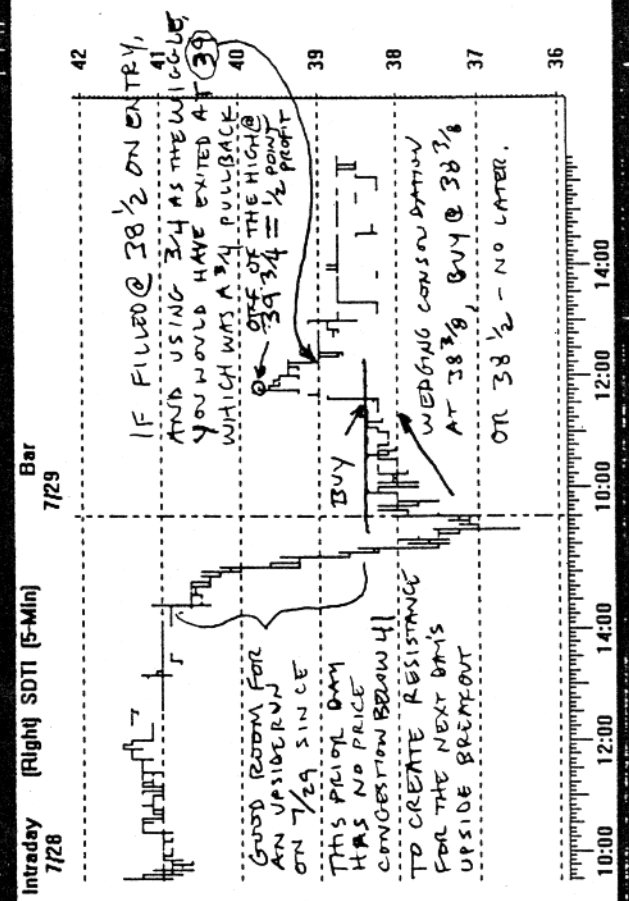
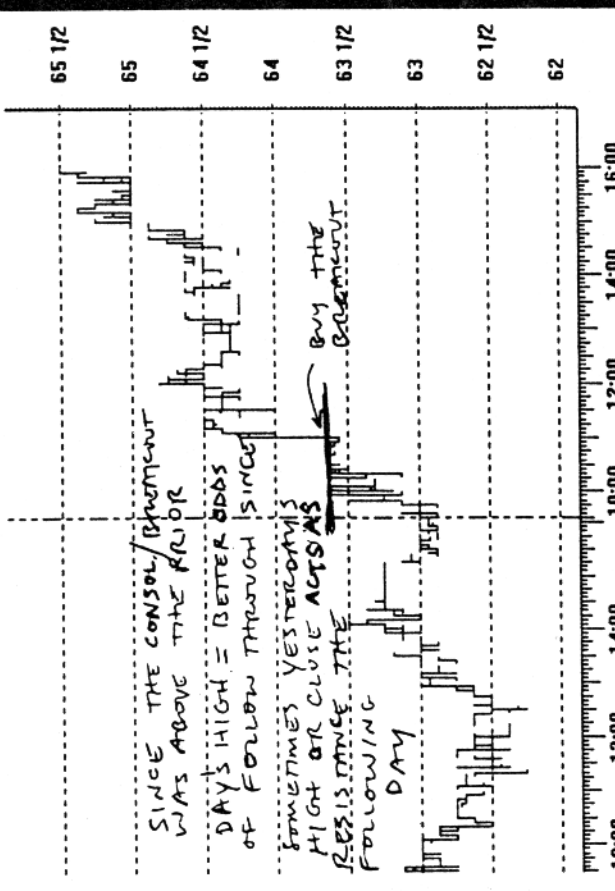
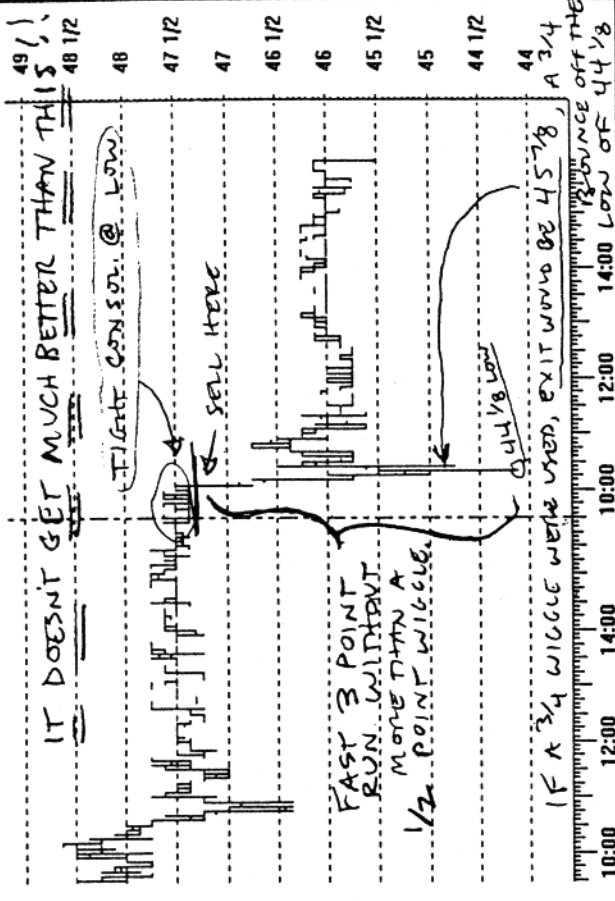
Finally, there are occasions to consider yesterday's intraday price chart, especially as it finished the last hour or two of the day. Here you are looking for stocks that traded in a tight consolidation pattern into yesterday's close at or near the high or low of that day. Today, if the stock opens in the same consolidation price range, you are looking at the possibility of an even more powerful breakout trade. Here is how it should look:



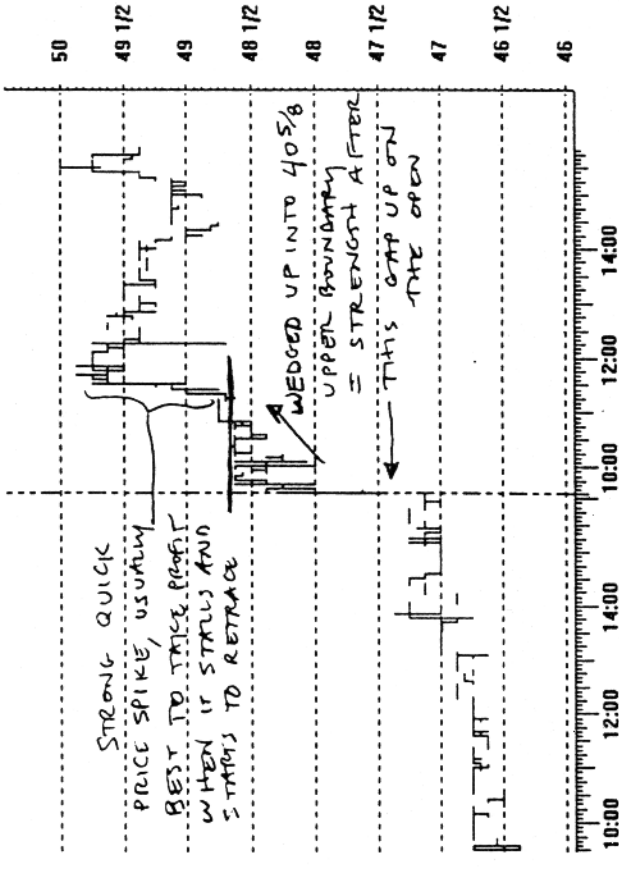
This presents a great breakout trade of today's current high or low. Refer to the daily bar price chart for analysis to get a better idea of whether a breakout to the upside or to the downside is the best trade to take. This price pattern also enhances the success of trades in the next section covering daily setups (w/r bars w/extreme close, and reversal bars). We'll cover daily price bar analysis next, looking at the past few day's price bars and how to react to today's market price movement based on them. You will see how they can be used together to better choose which stocks to trade and also when to trade them as the current day unfolds.

INTRADAY CHART EXAMPLES

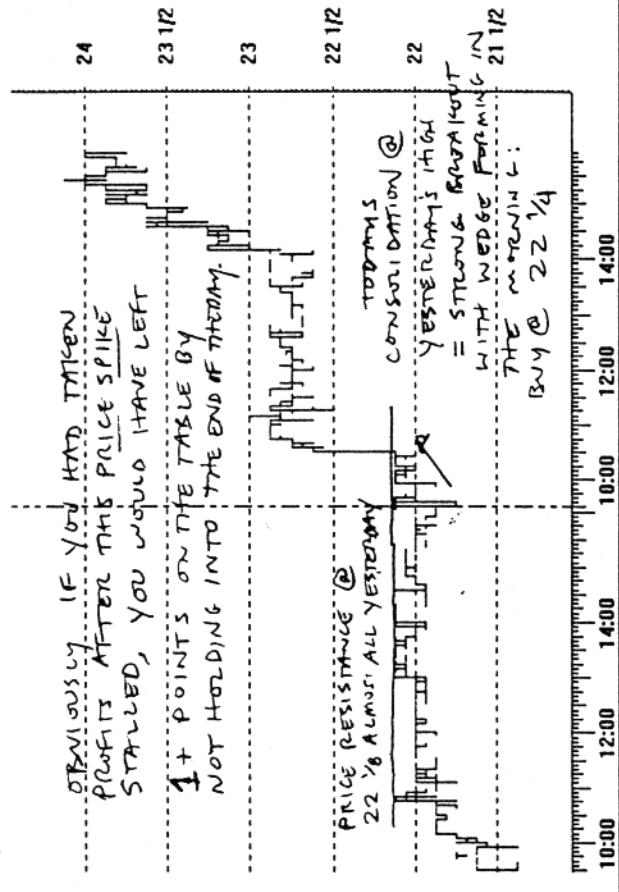
The next several pages show actual 5 minute bar charts for over 100 stocks. Each page has 4 stock charts with each chart providing two days of trading activity. The vertical dotted line through the center of each chart represents the end of the prior day and the beginning of the current day's trading session. Knowing the intraday price action of a stock for 1 or more prior days helps give you a better feel for that stock's personality. These intraday chart examples are marked to show consolidation at the high or low of the day and the breakout point. Commentary is also provided. While most of these are good intraday trade setup examples, don't forget to look at the daily chart when you are actually trading. The daily chart will help you see where price support and resistance levels are. You are looking for trades that have room to run 1 + points during the day.



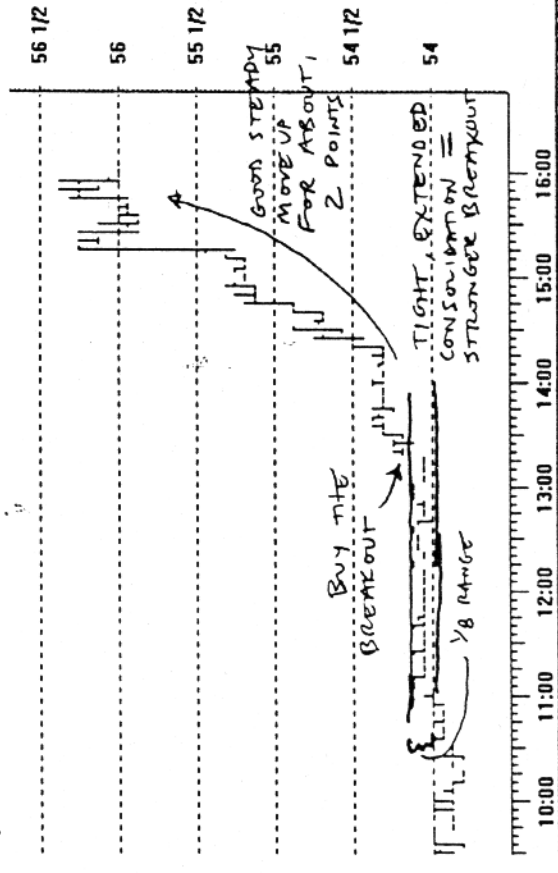
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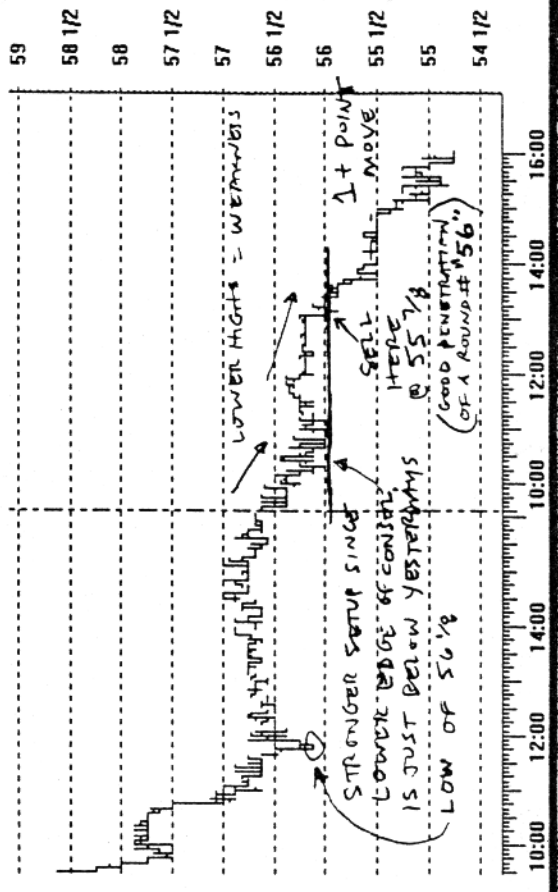
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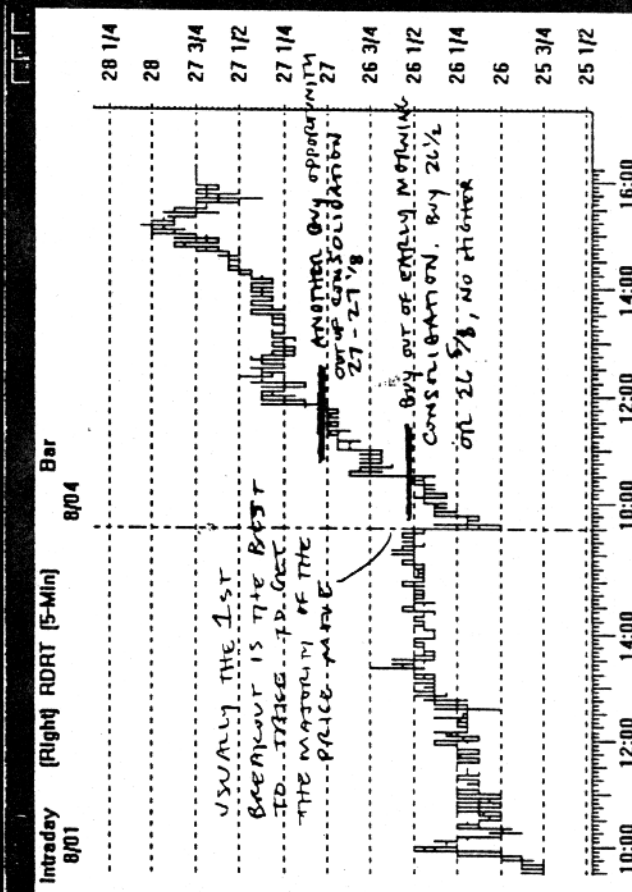
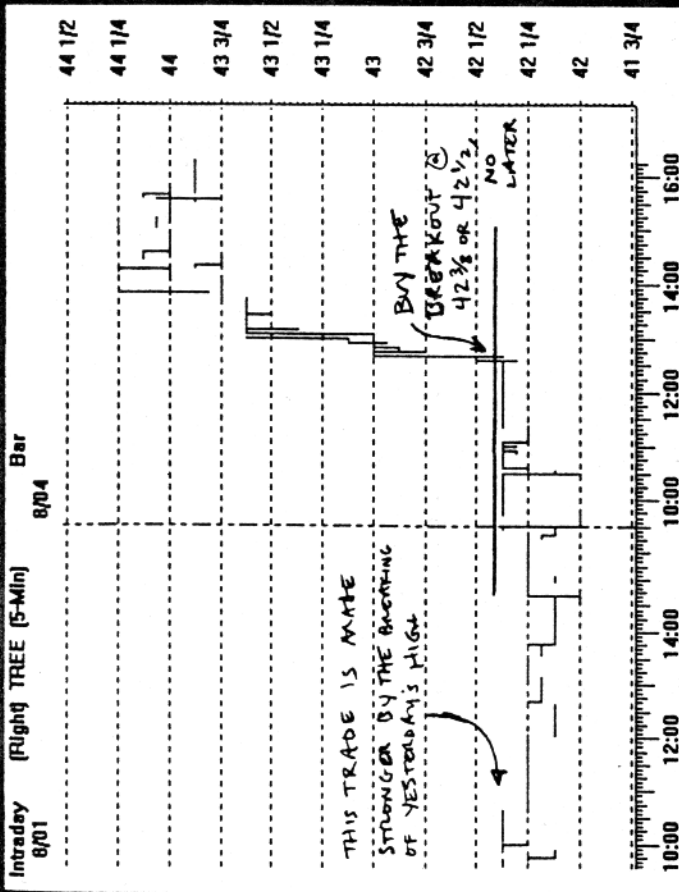
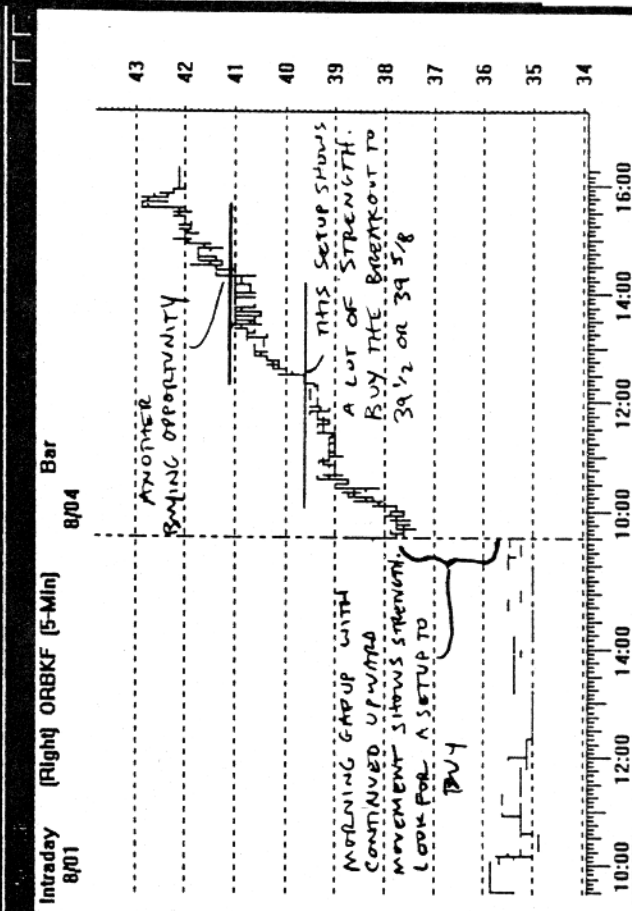
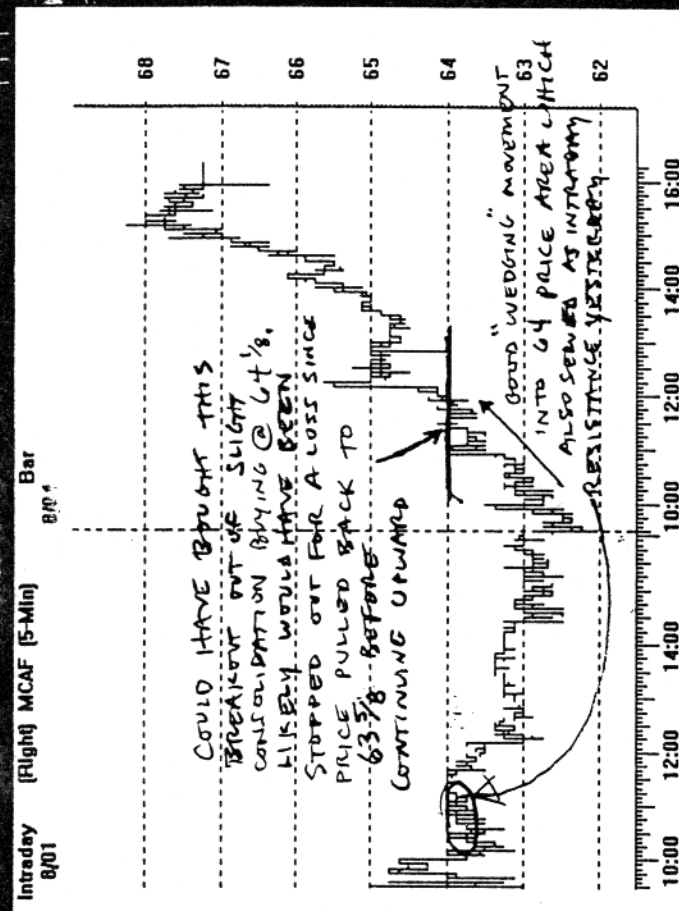
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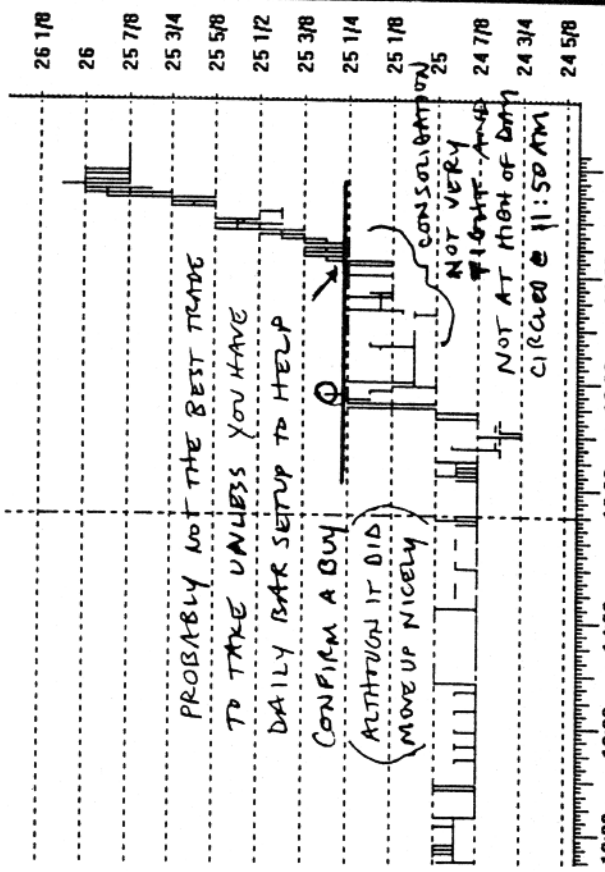
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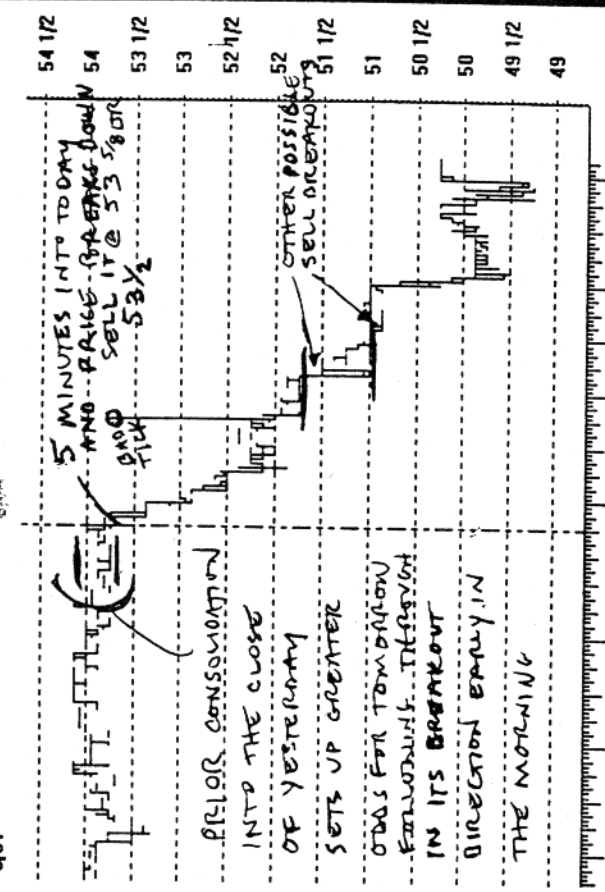
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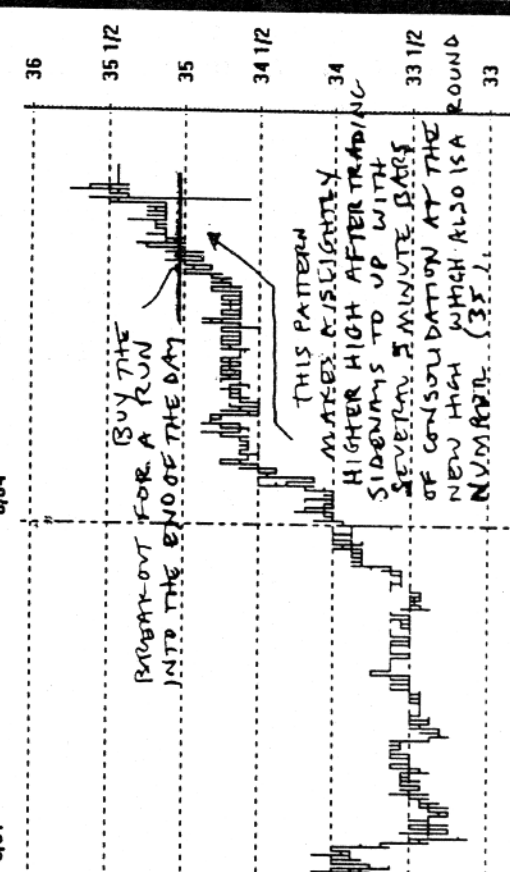
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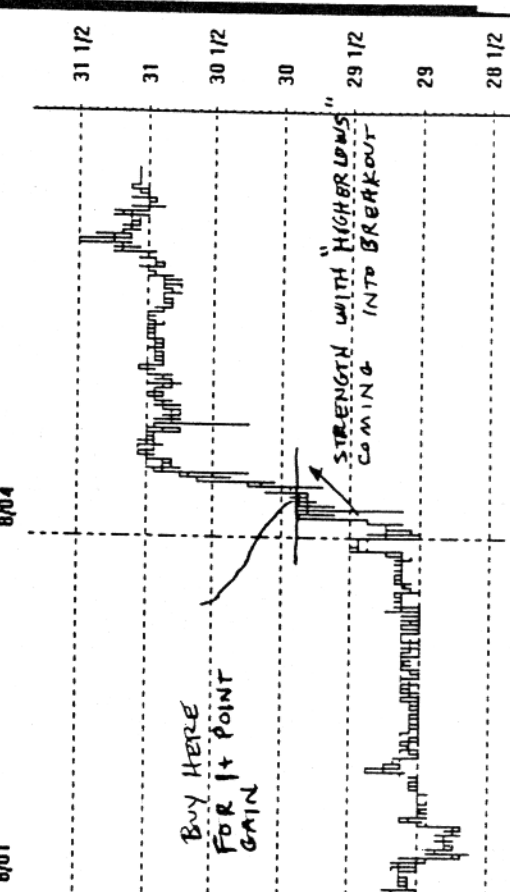
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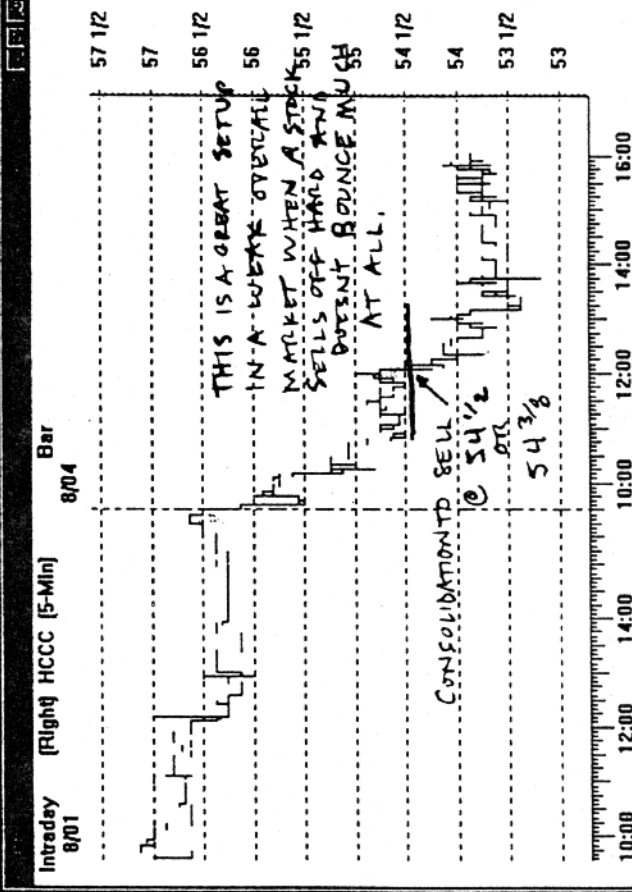
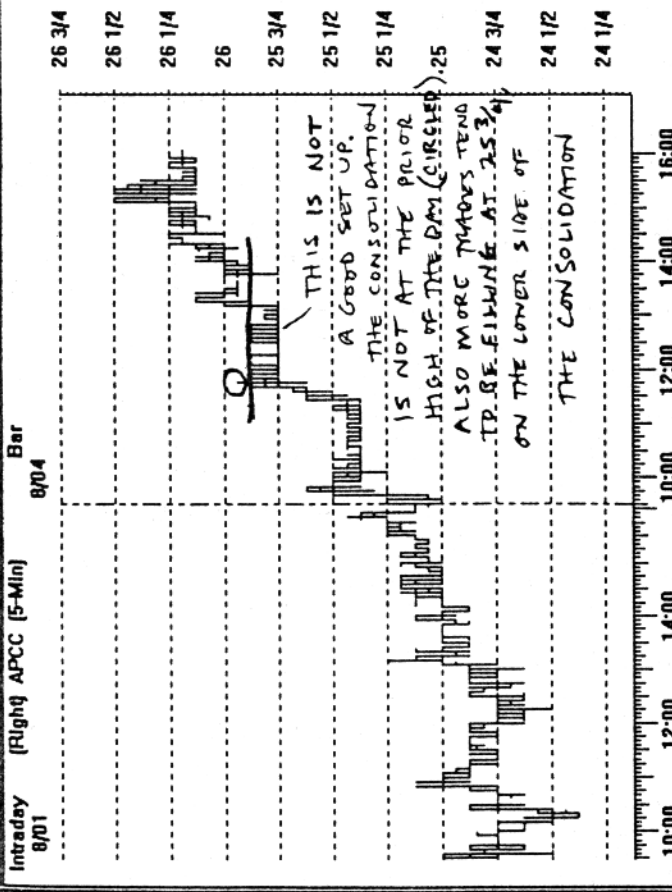
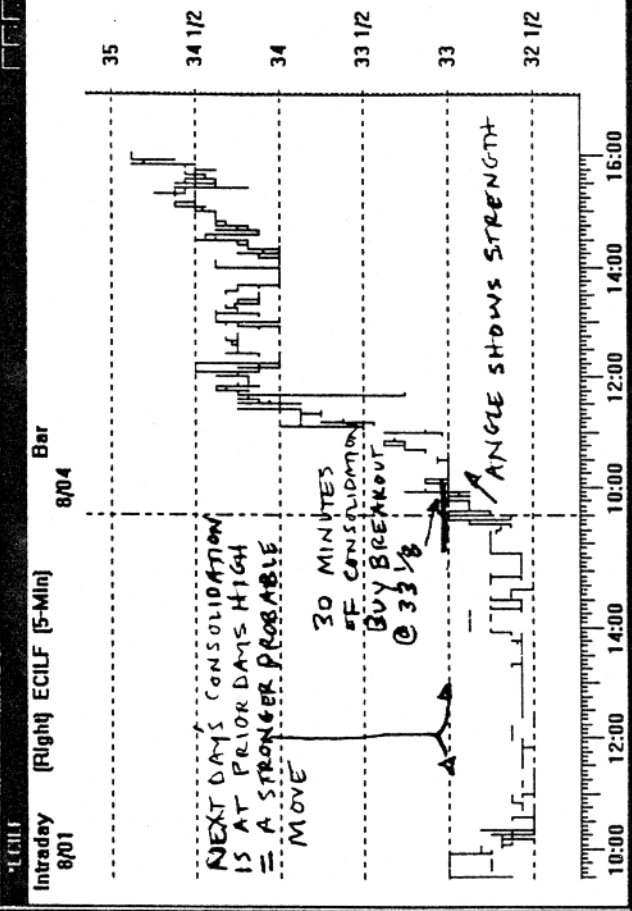
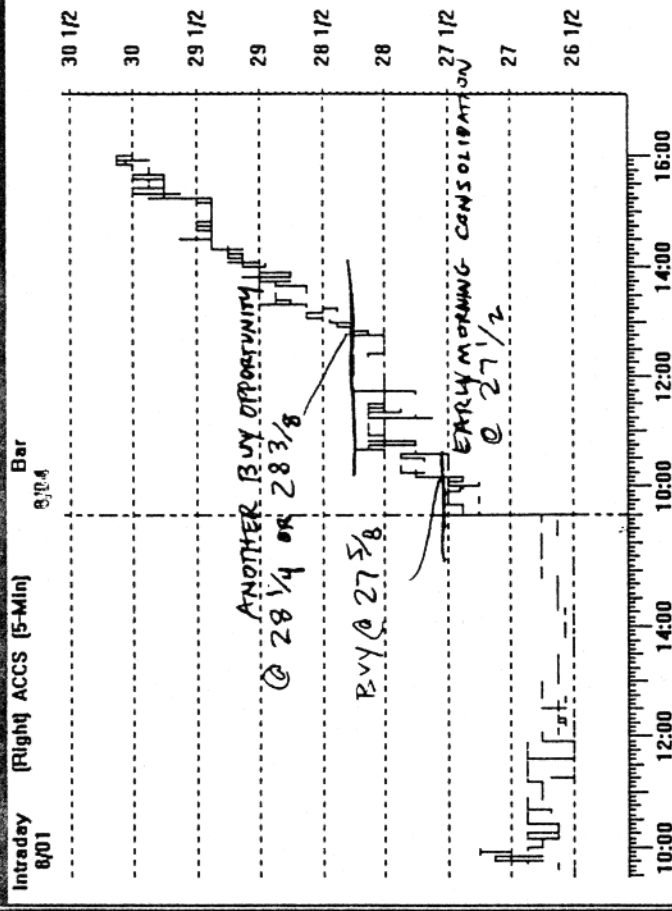
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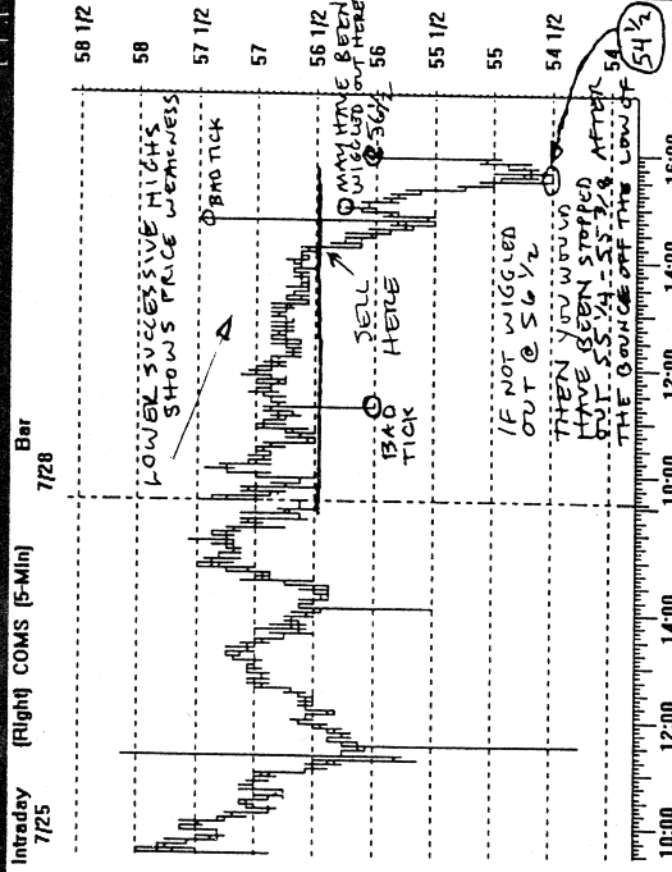
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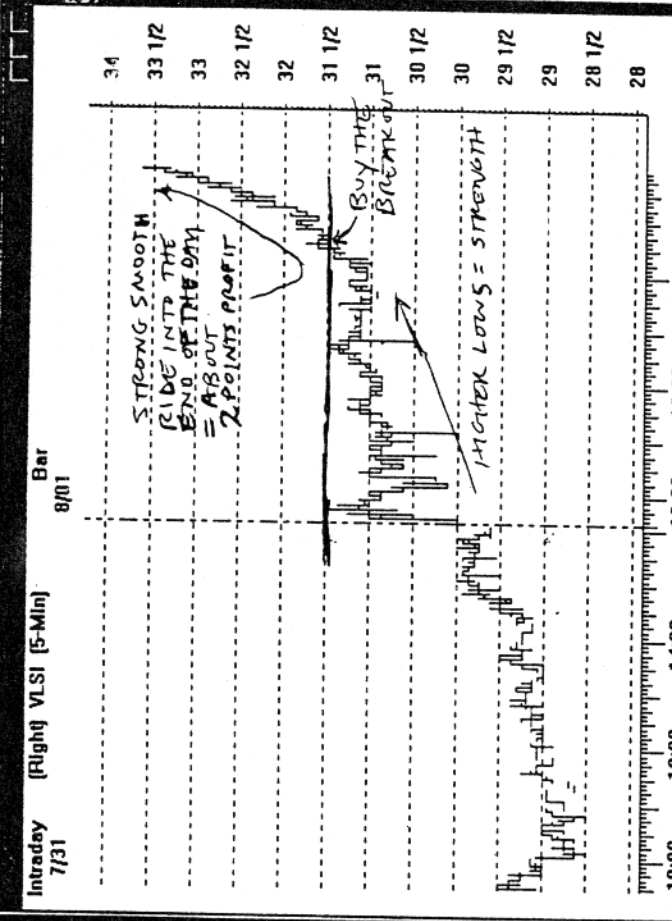




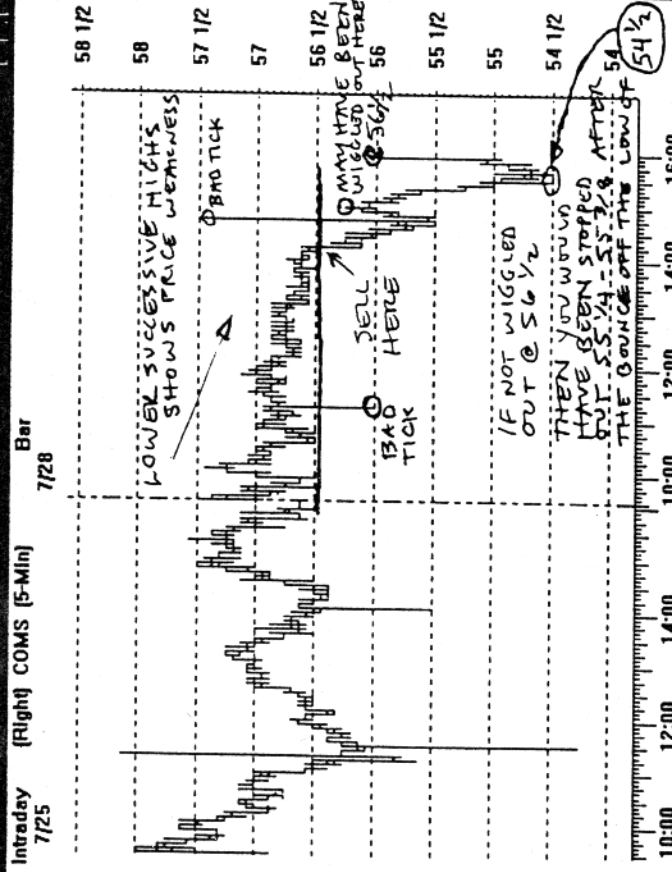
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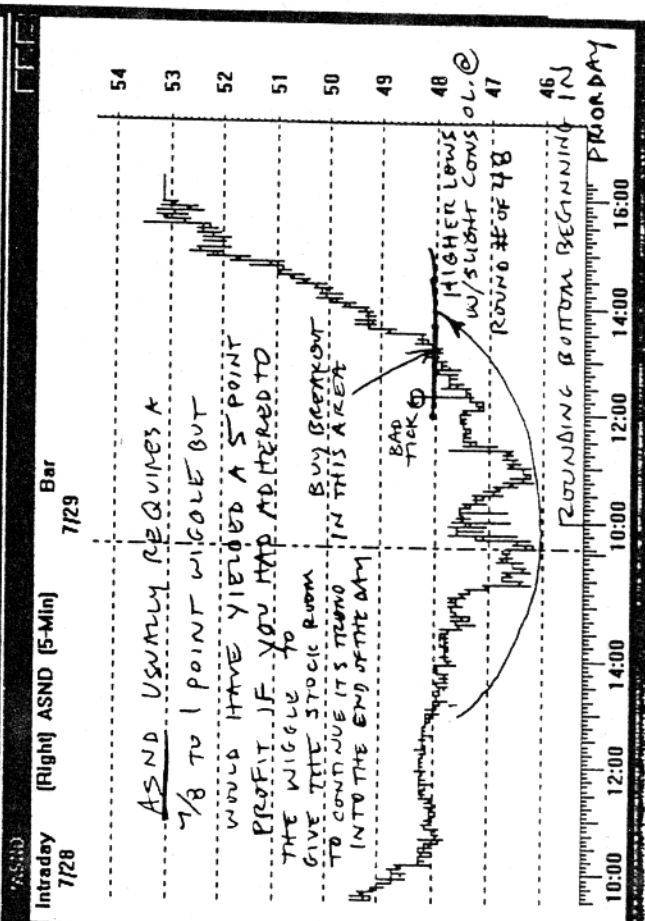
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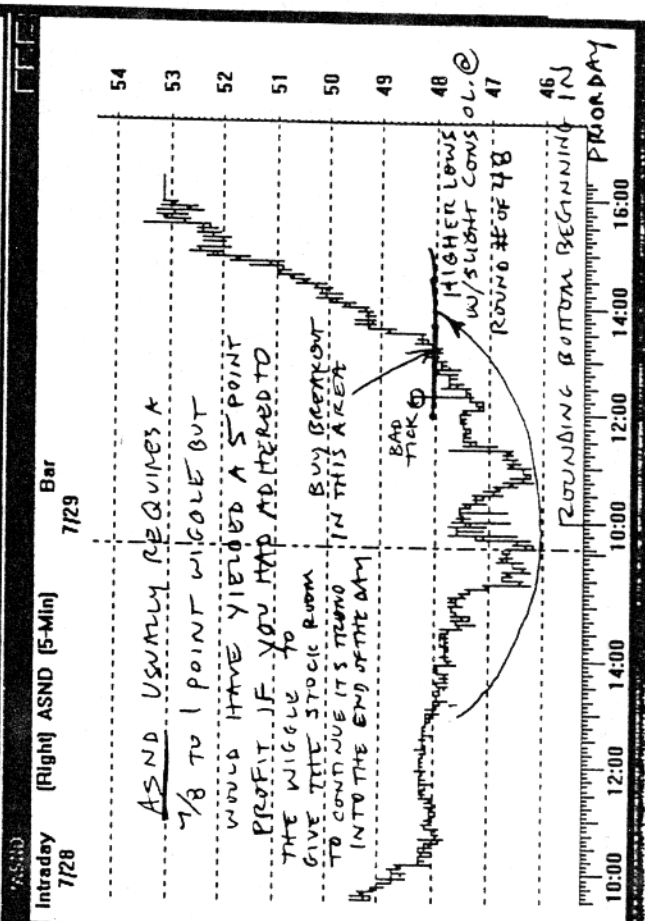
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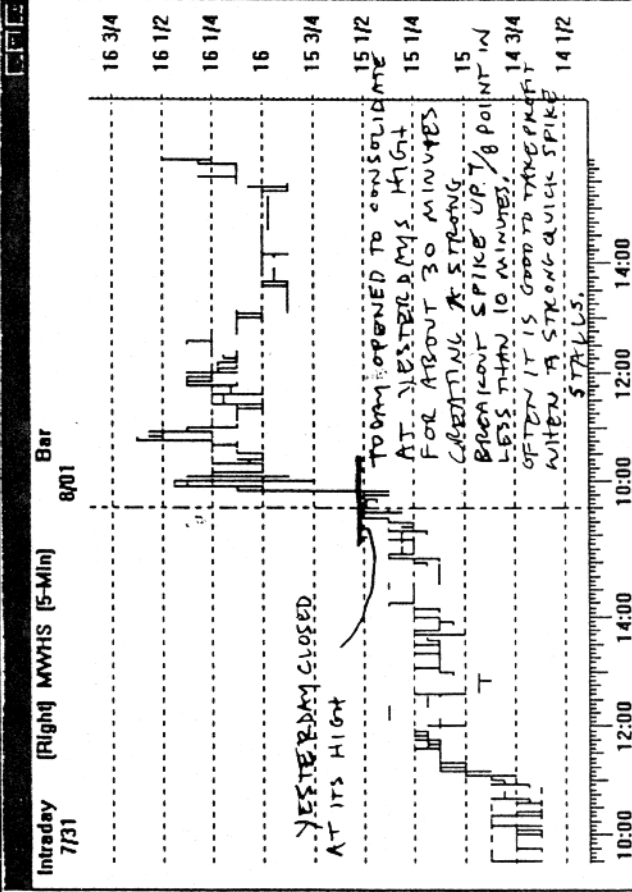
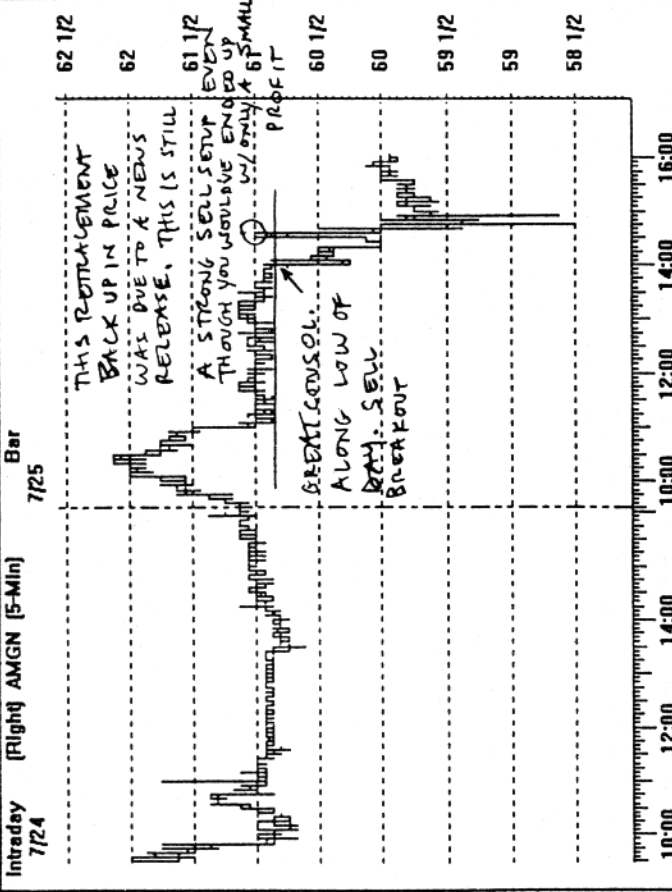
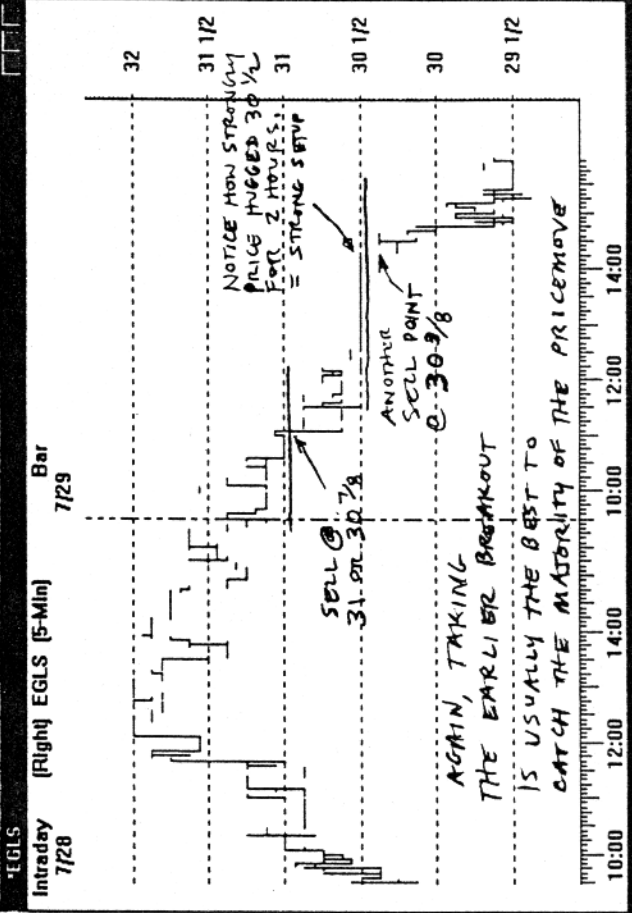
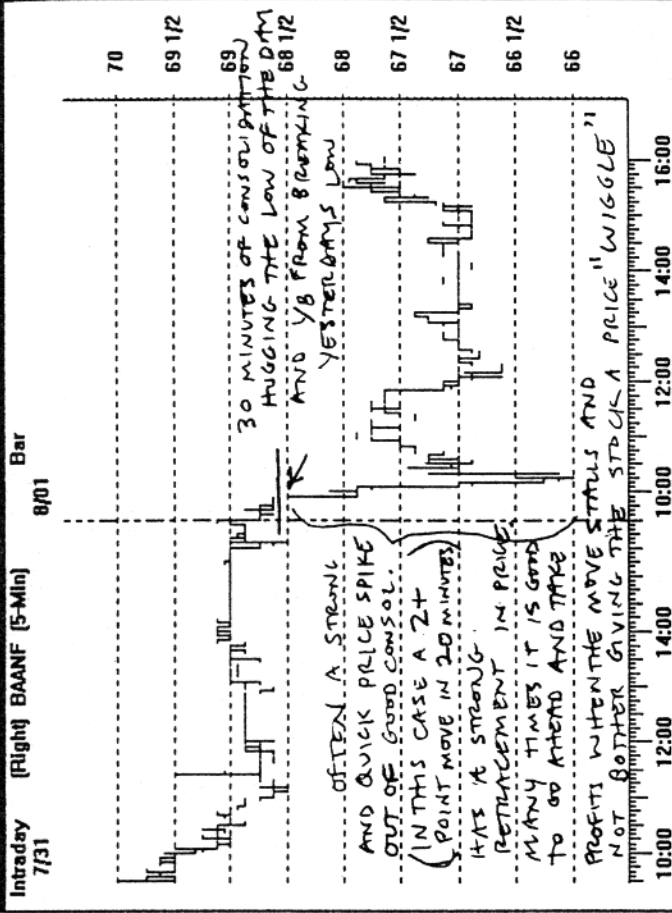


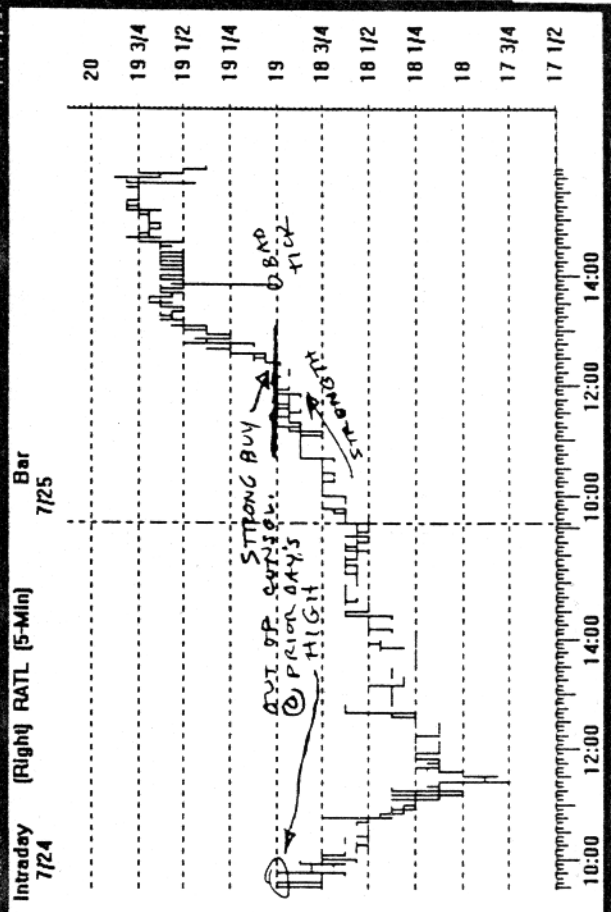
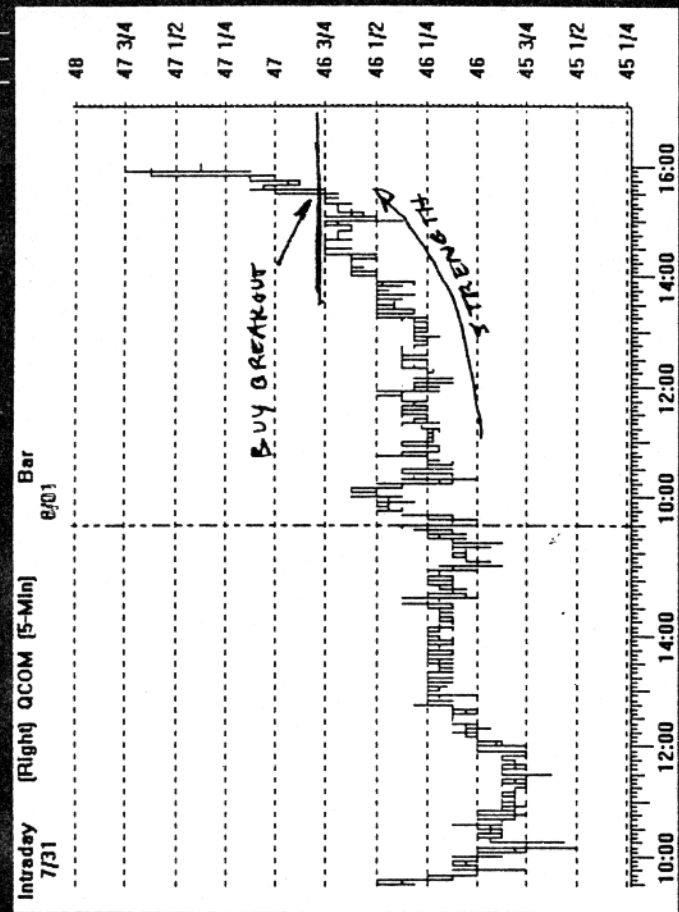
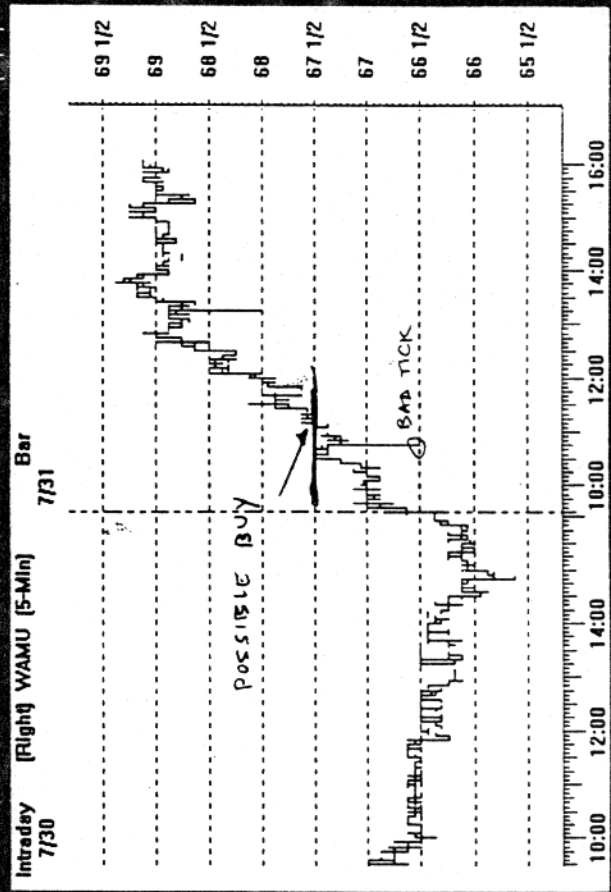
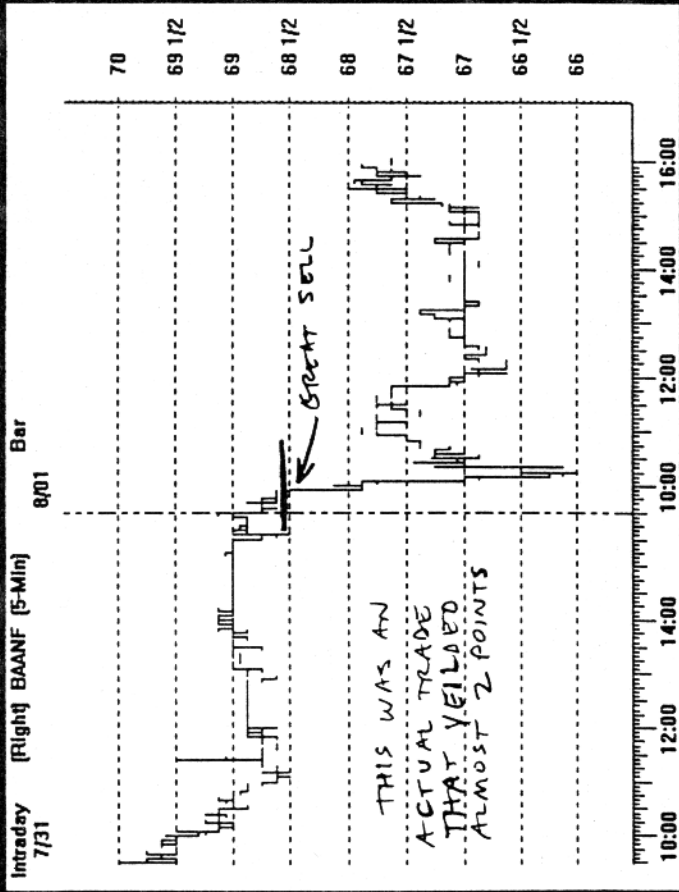
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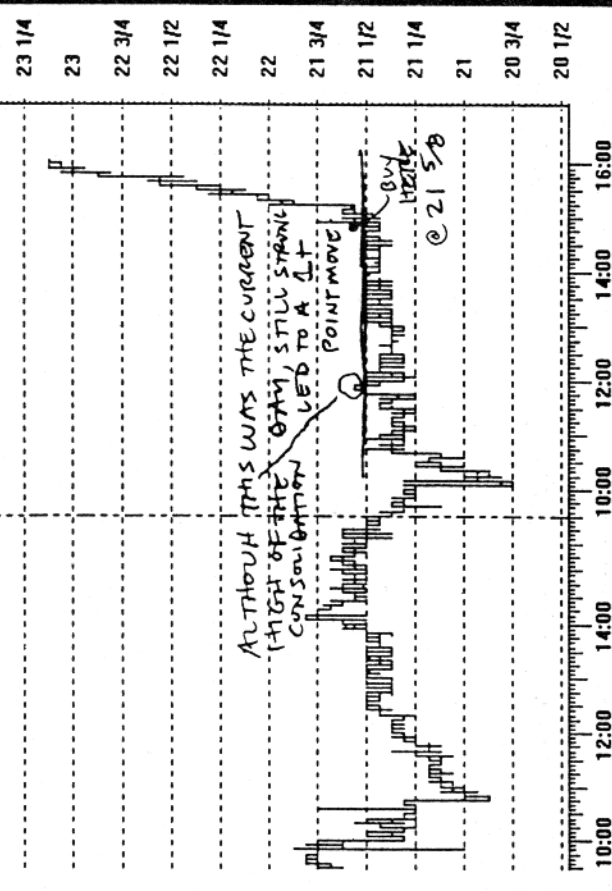






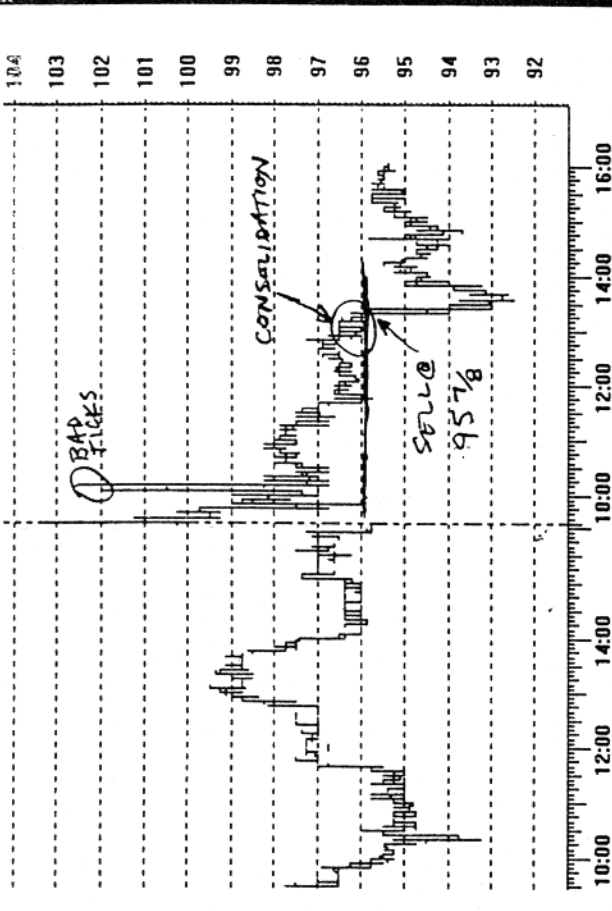
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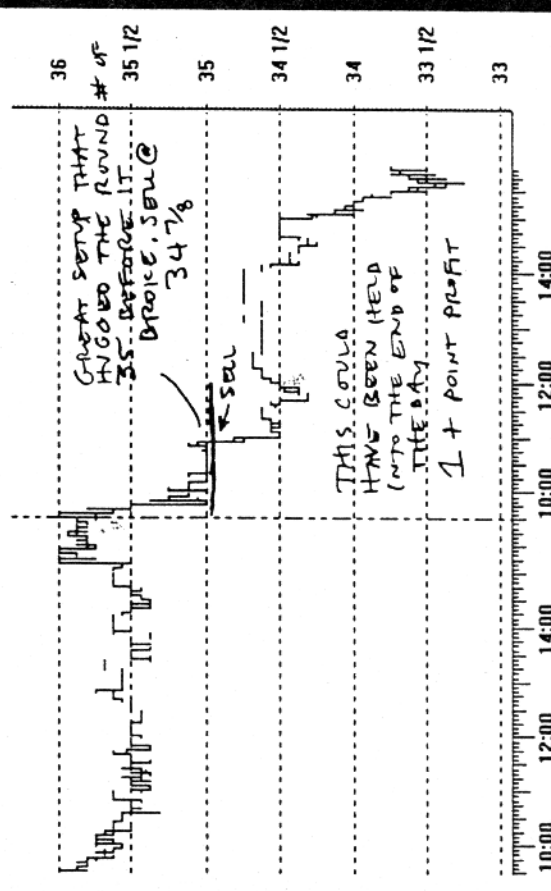
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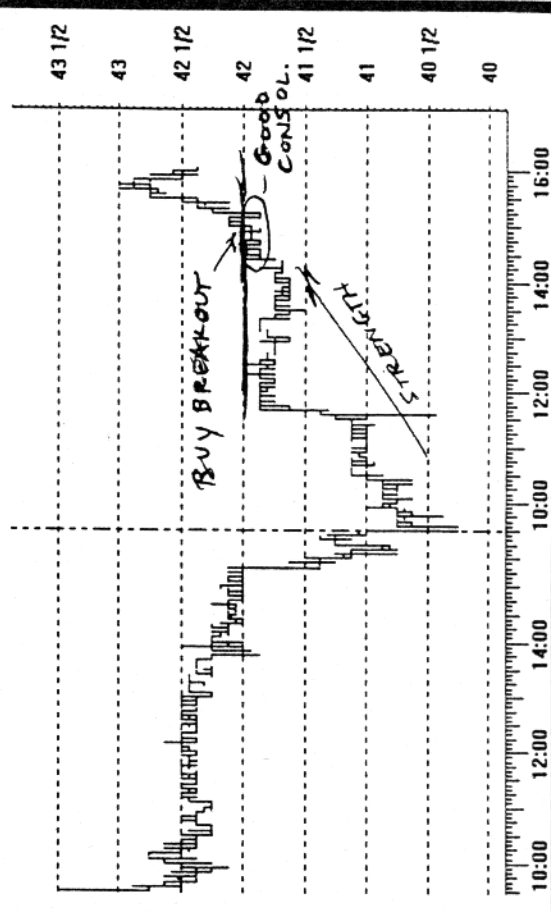
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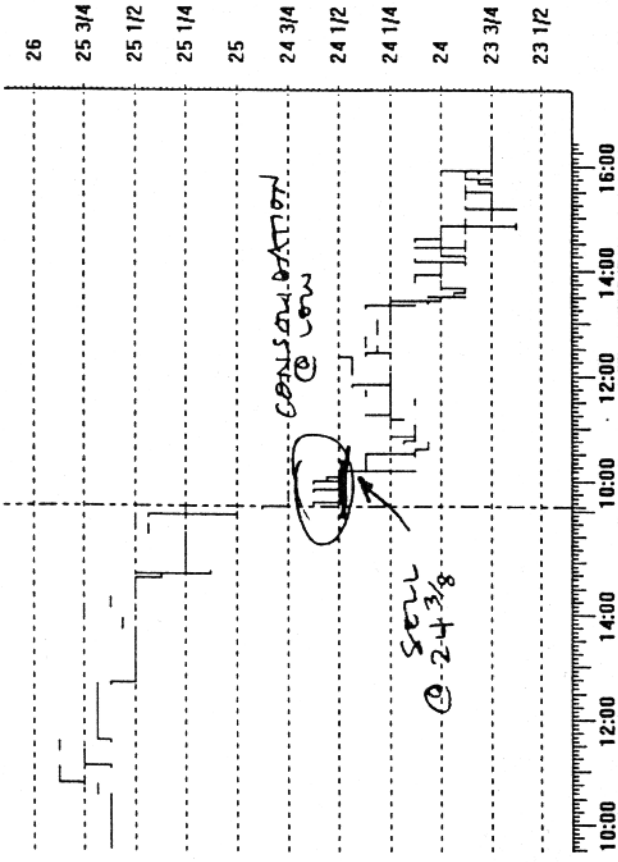
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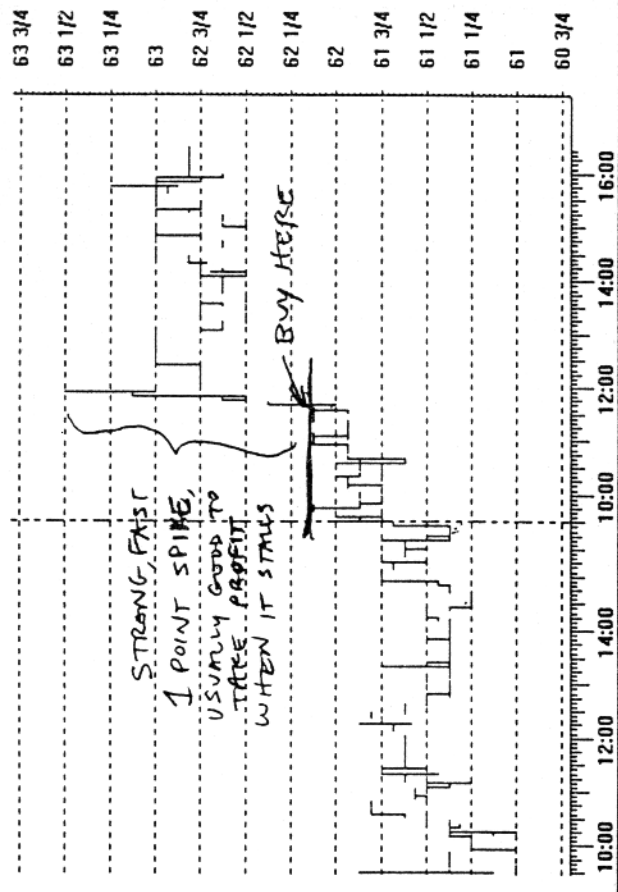
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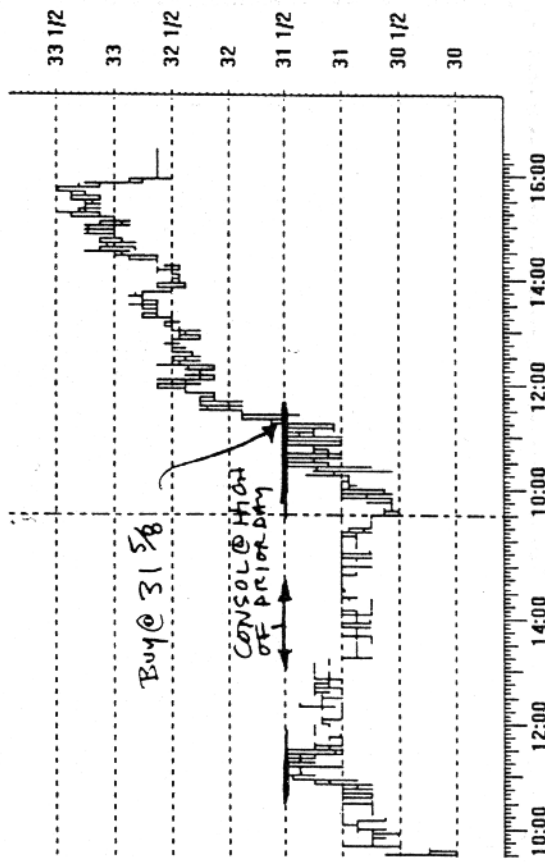
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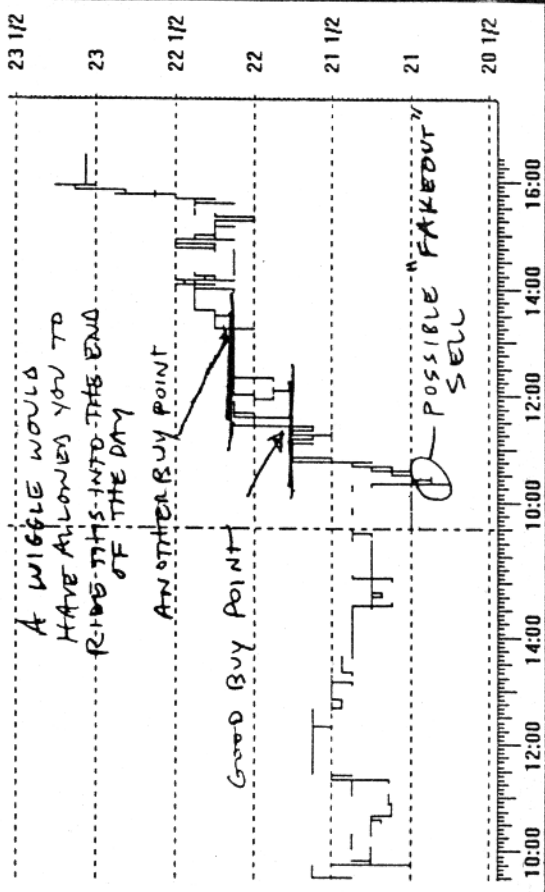
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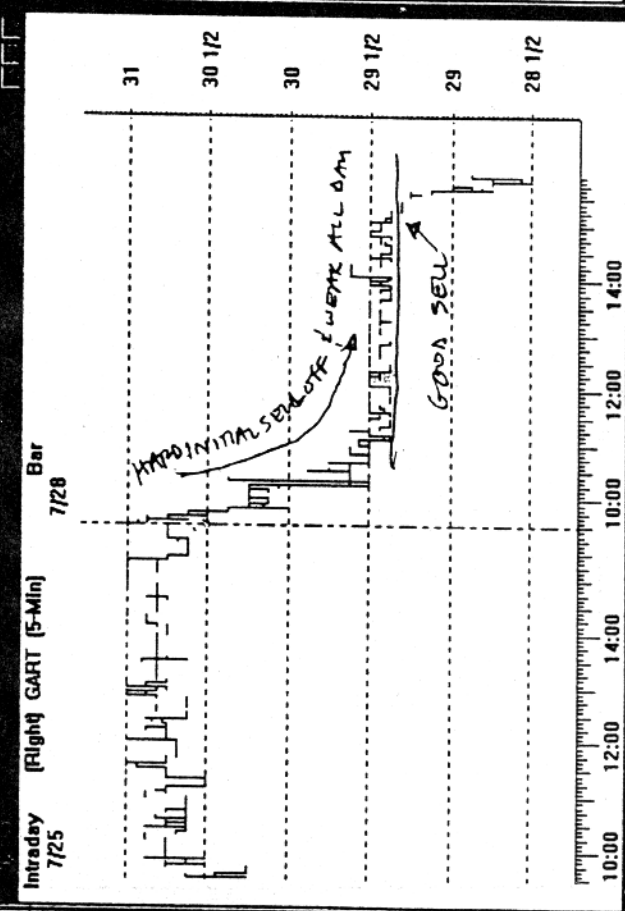
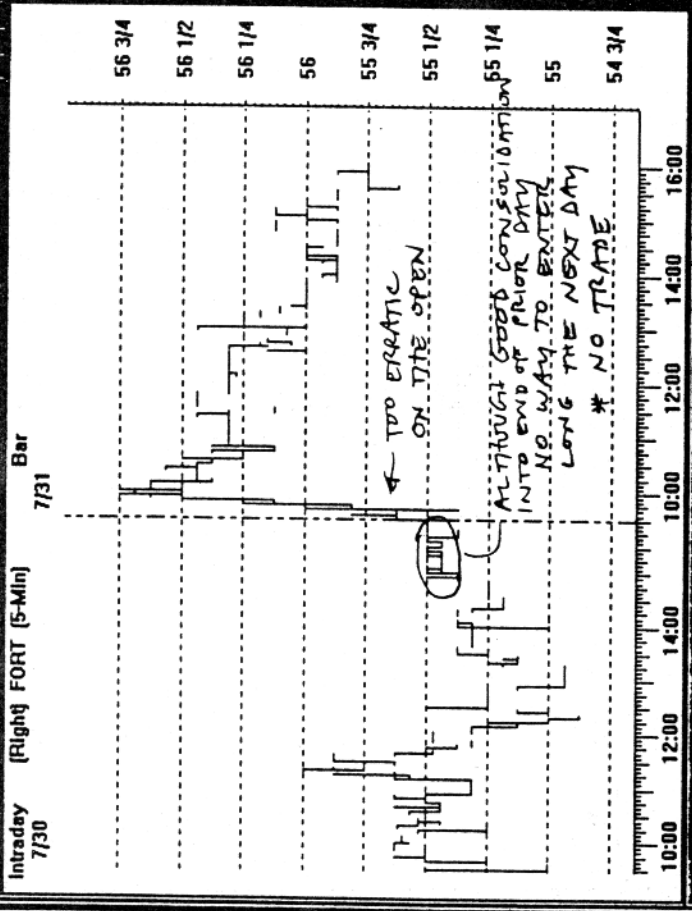
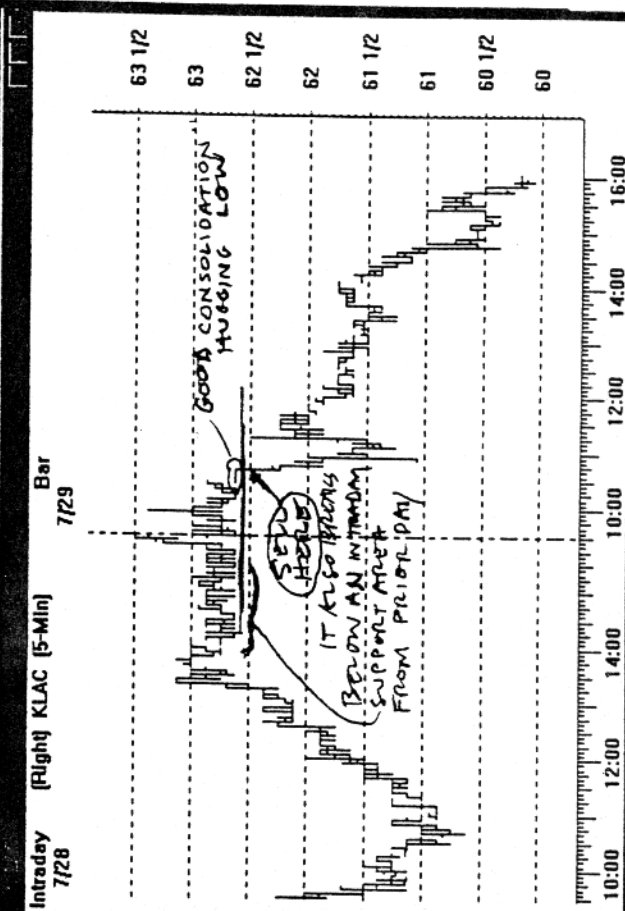
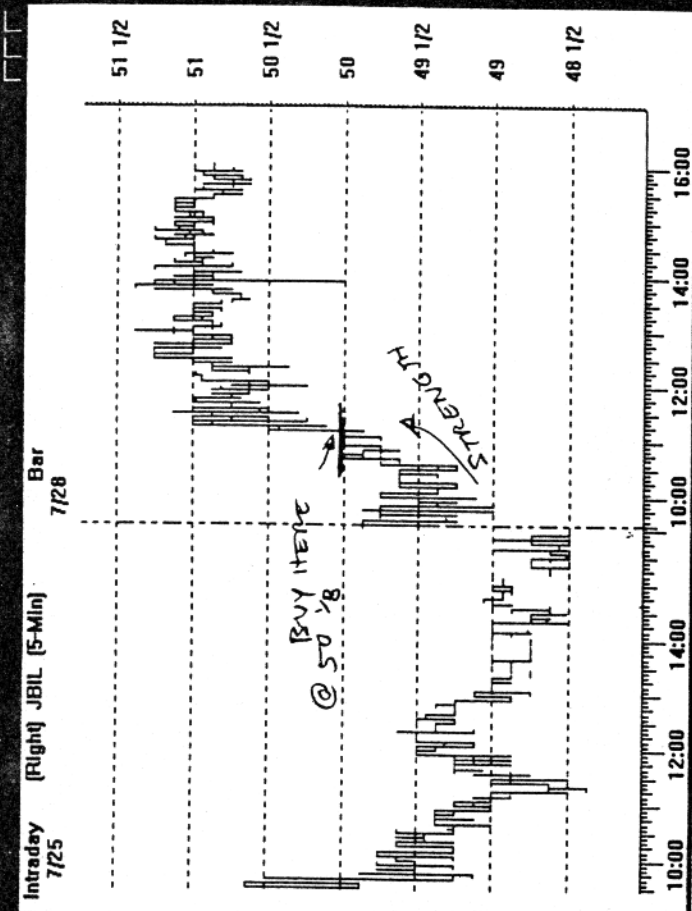
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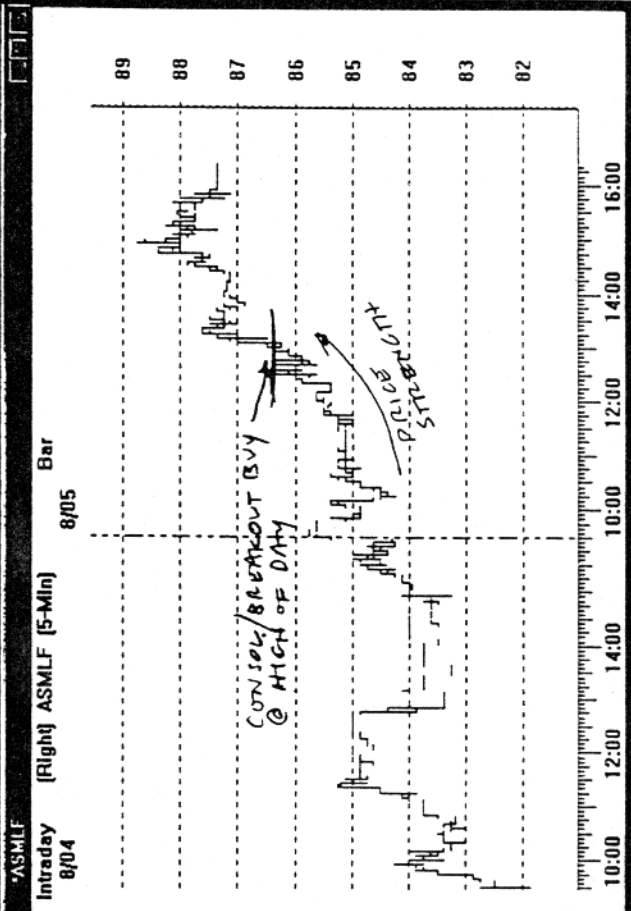
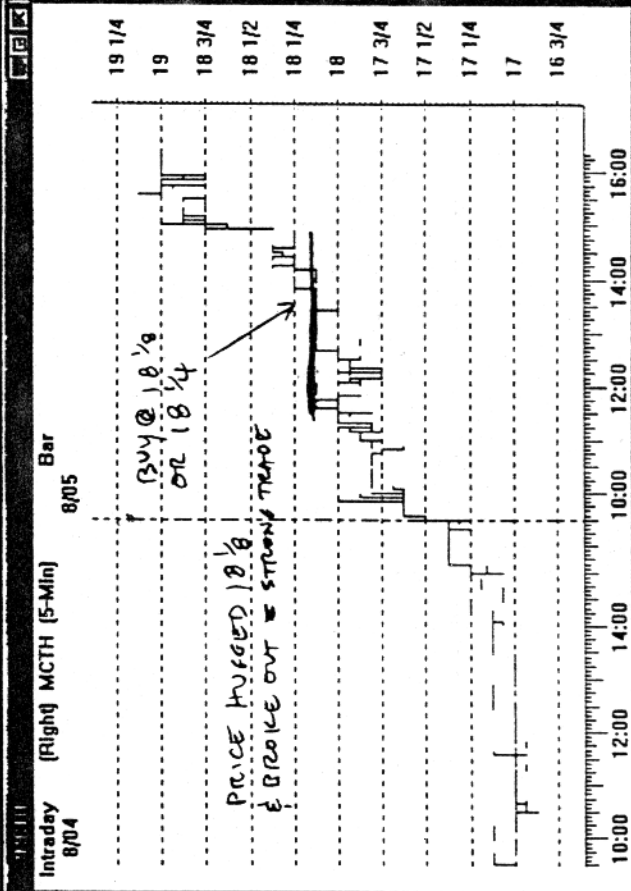
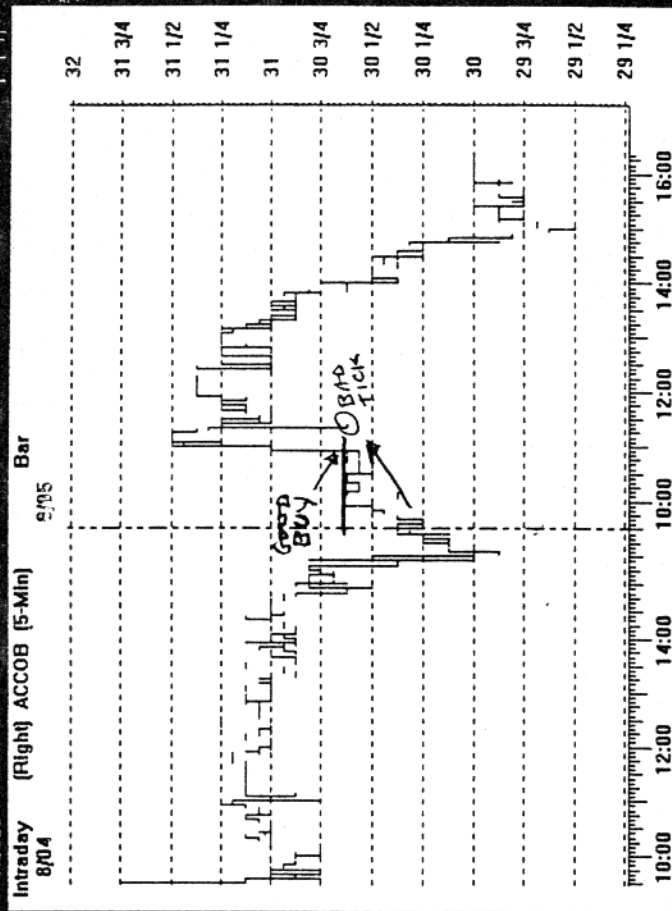
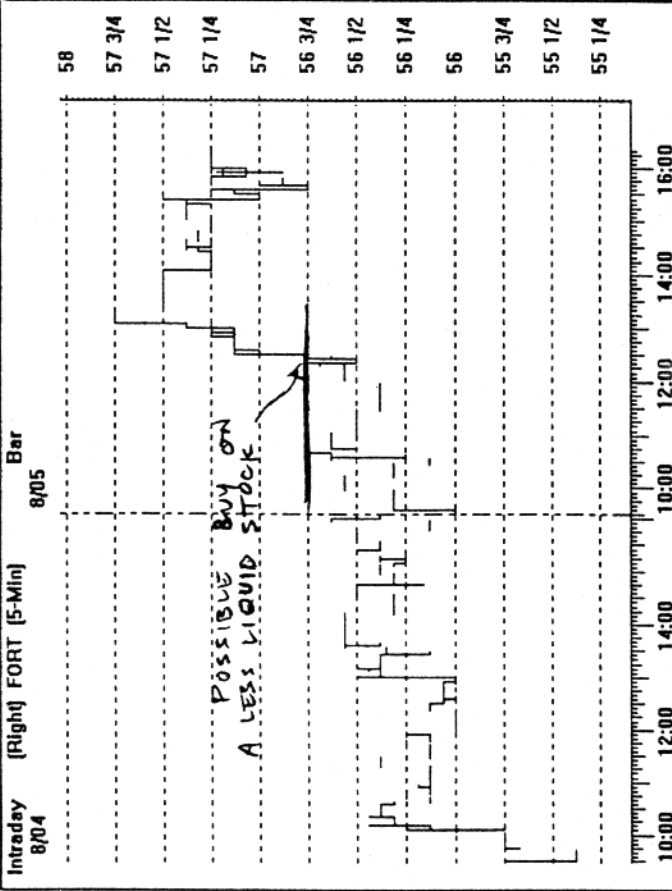


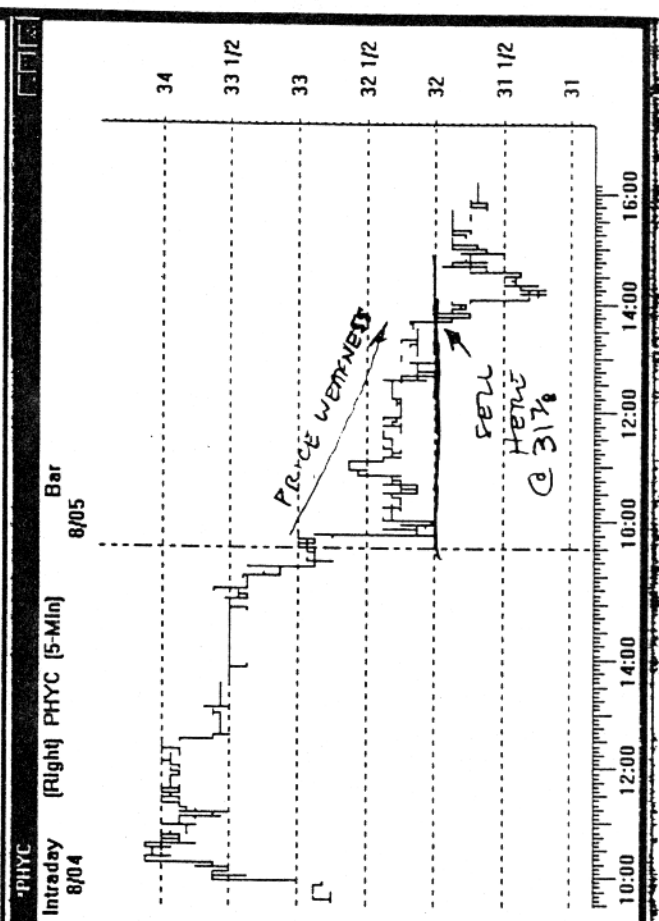
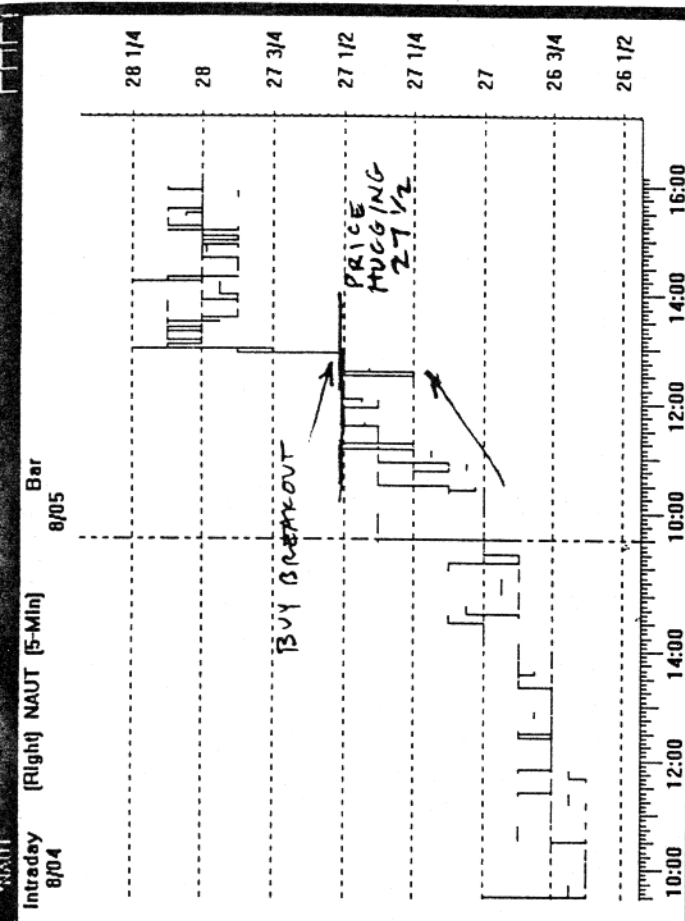
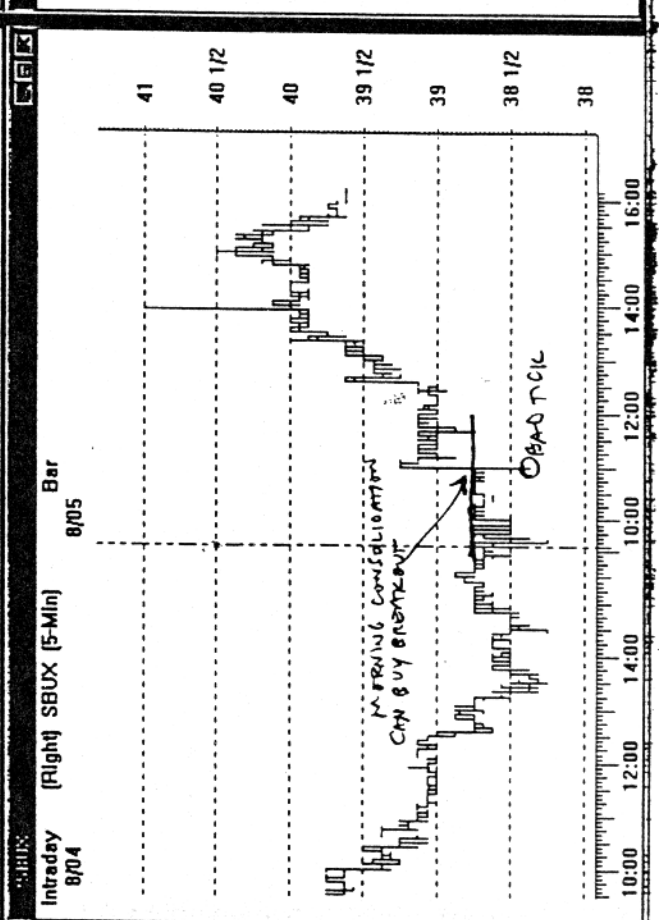
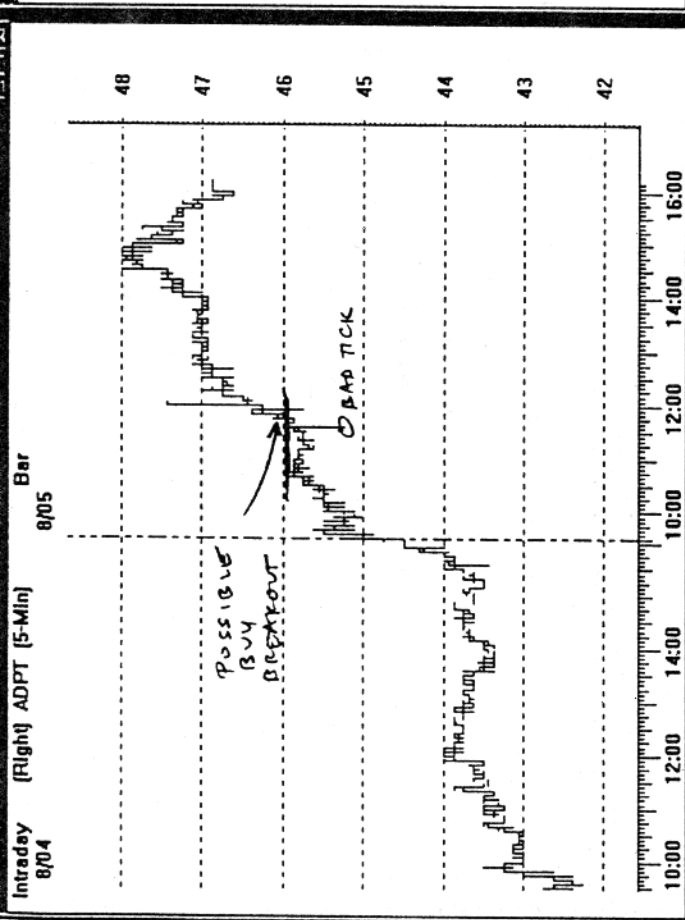
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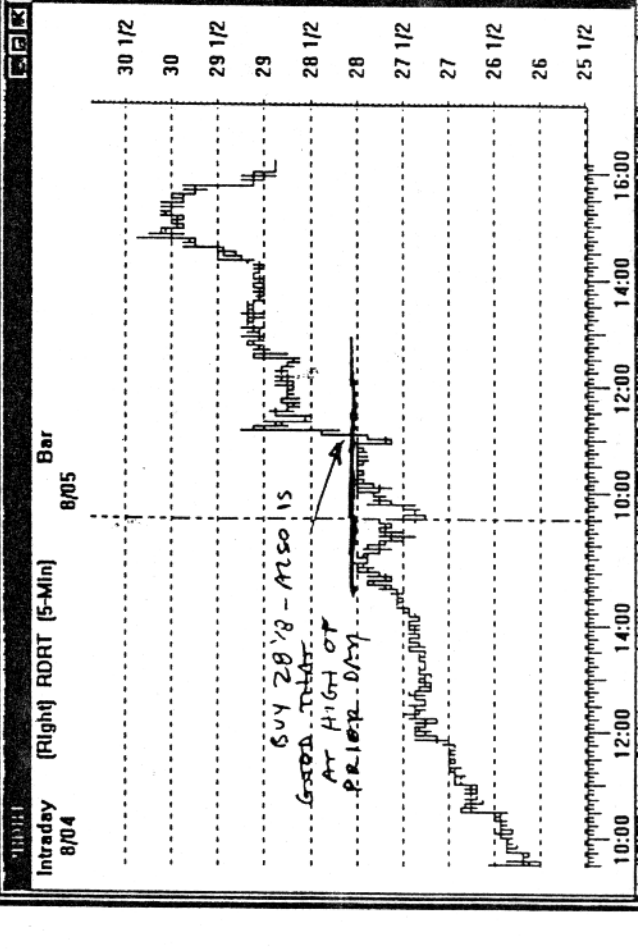
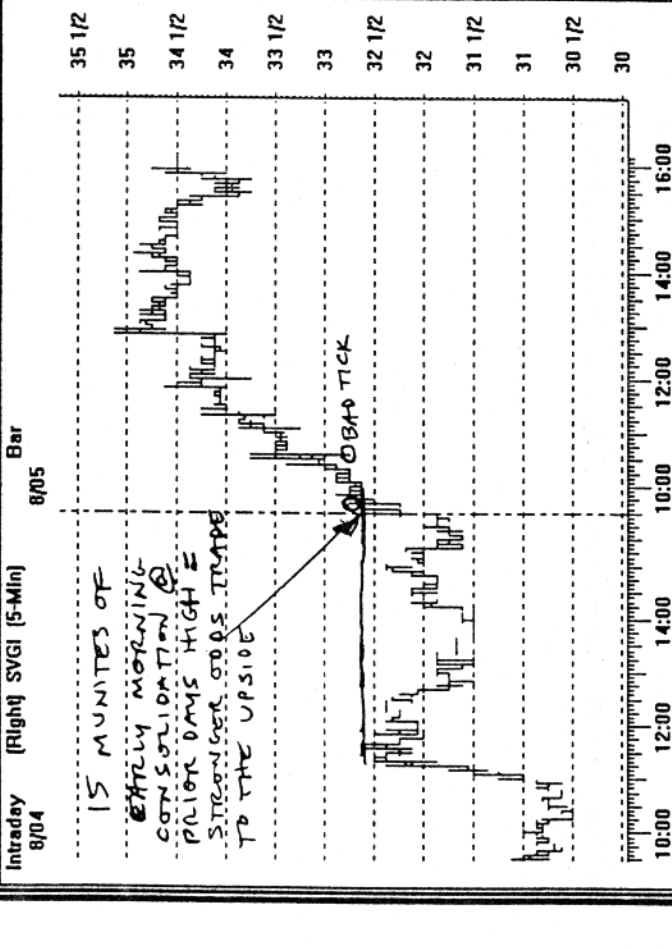
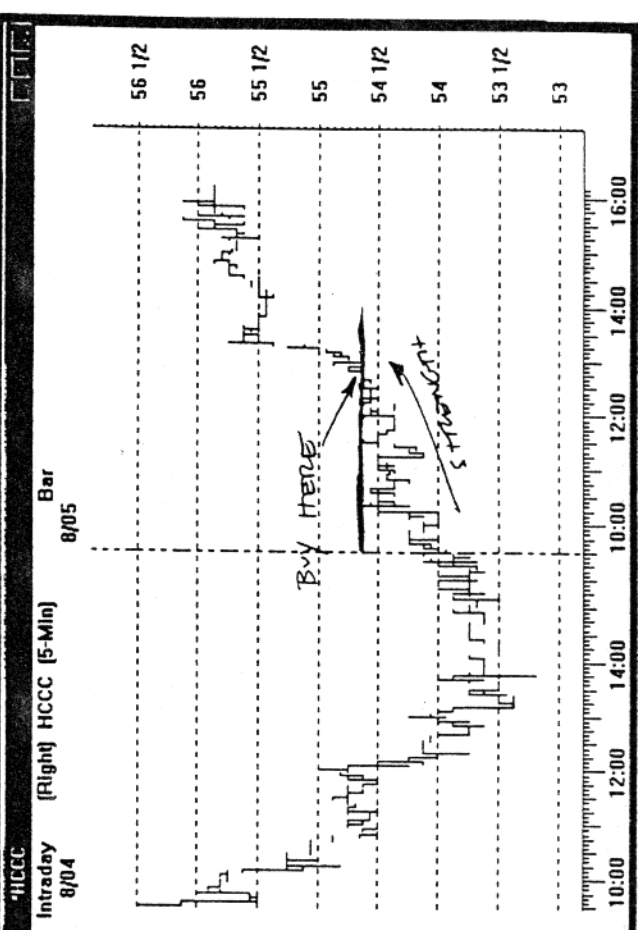
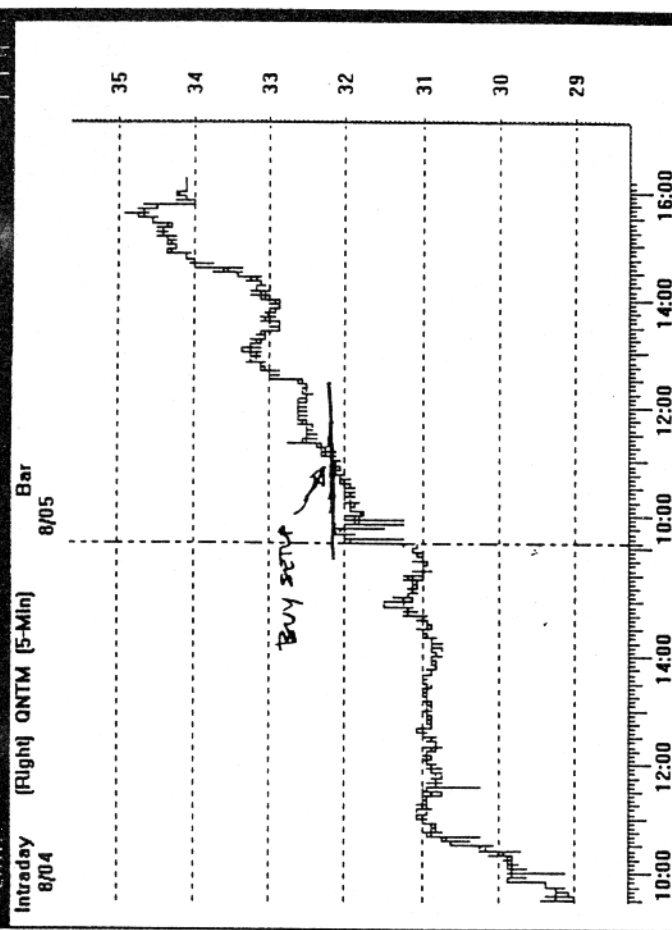
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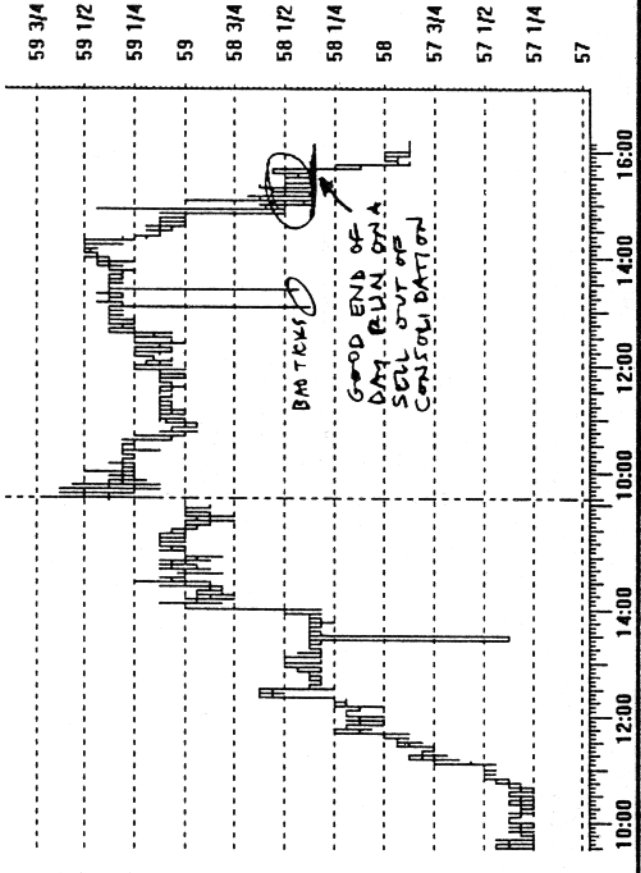






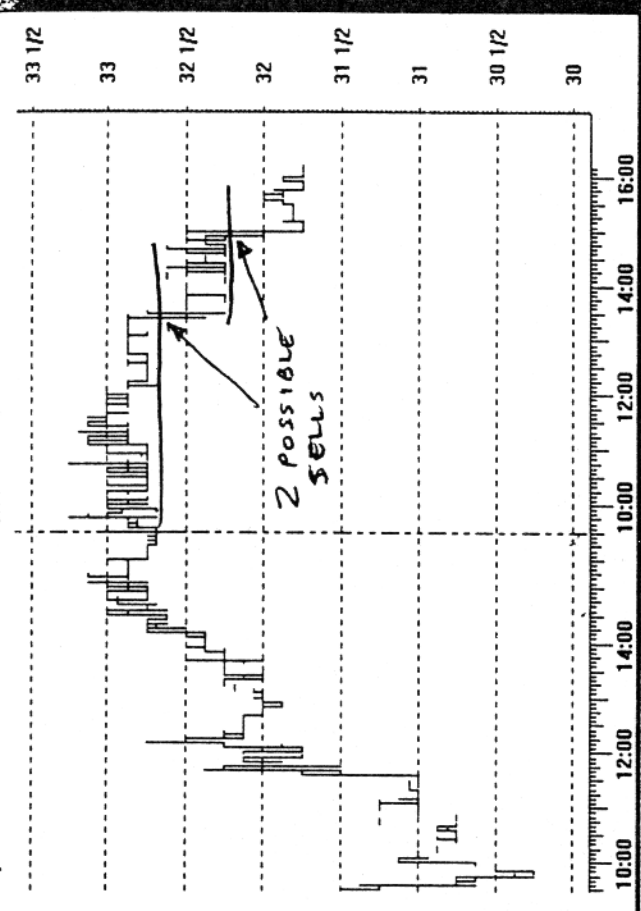
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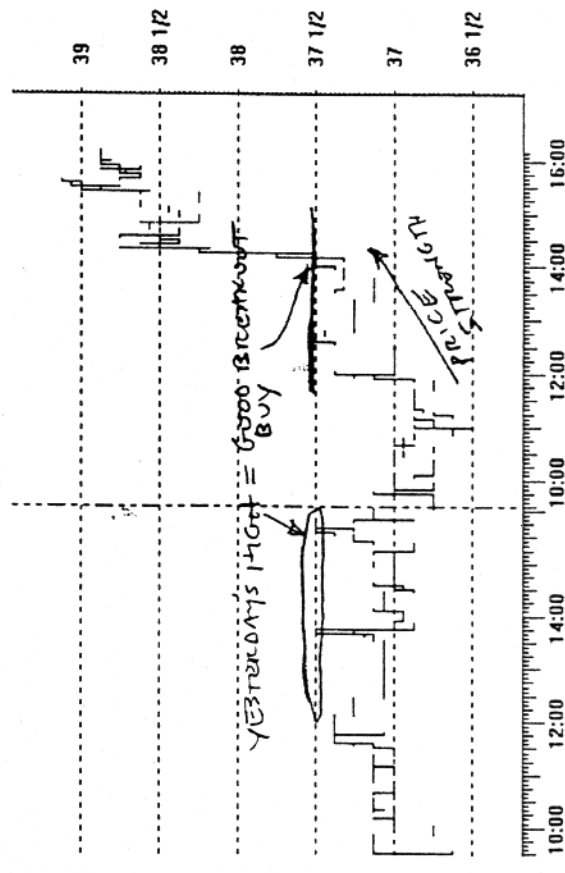
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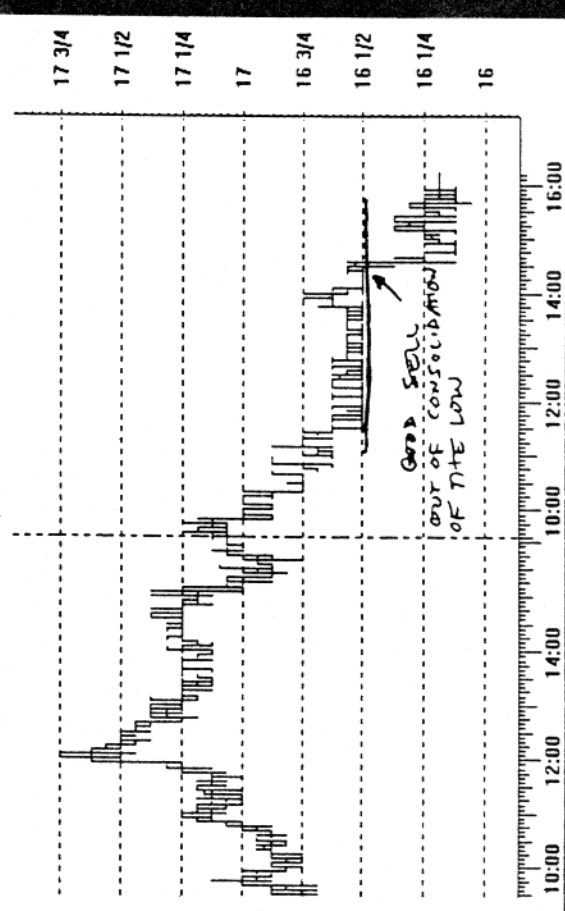
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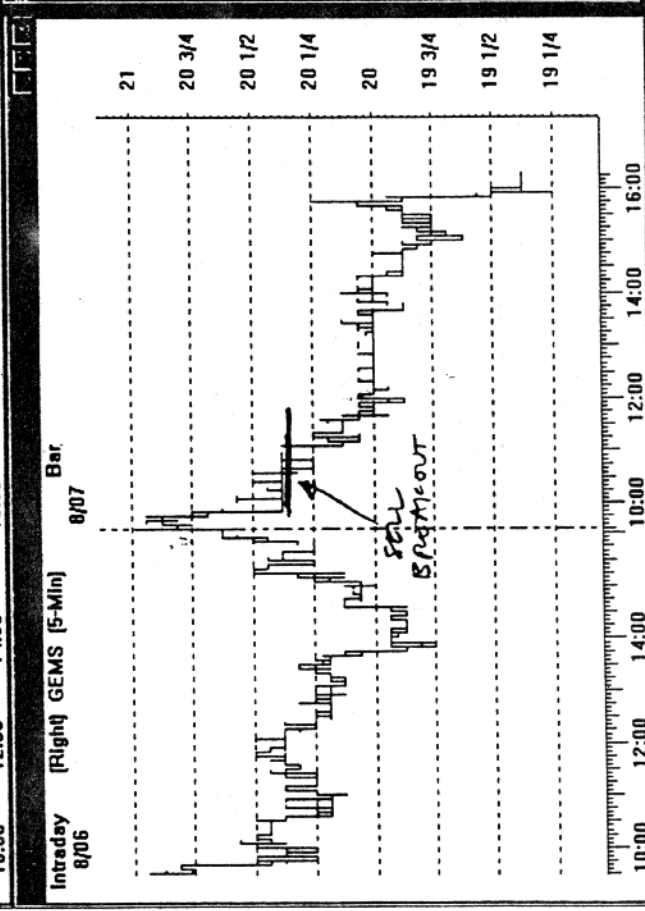
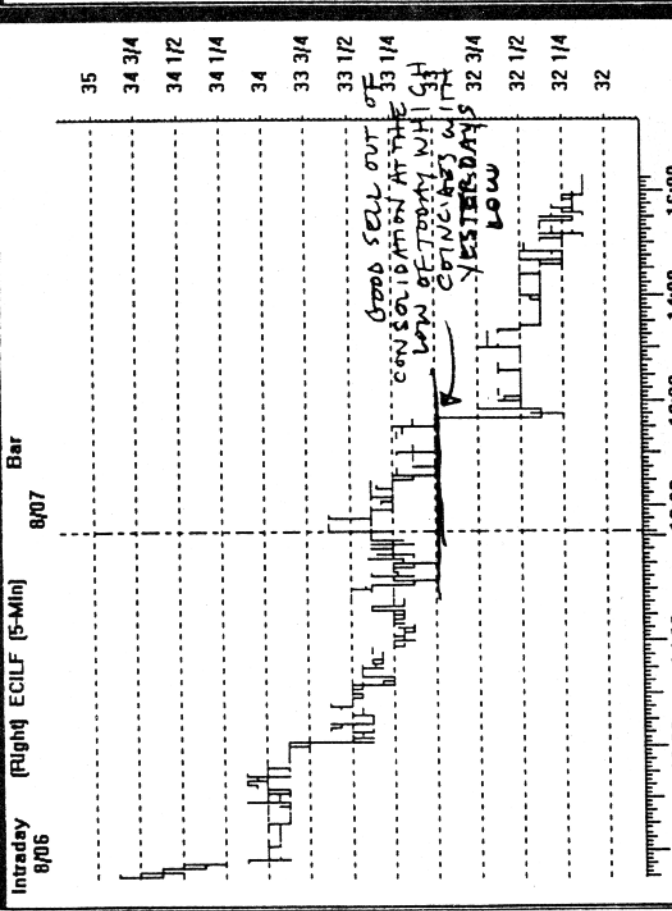
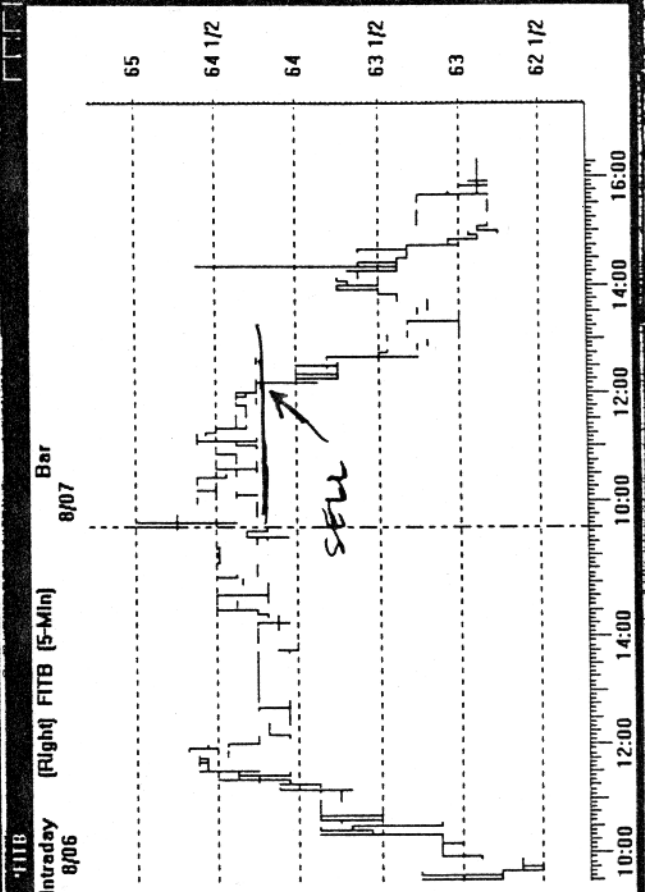
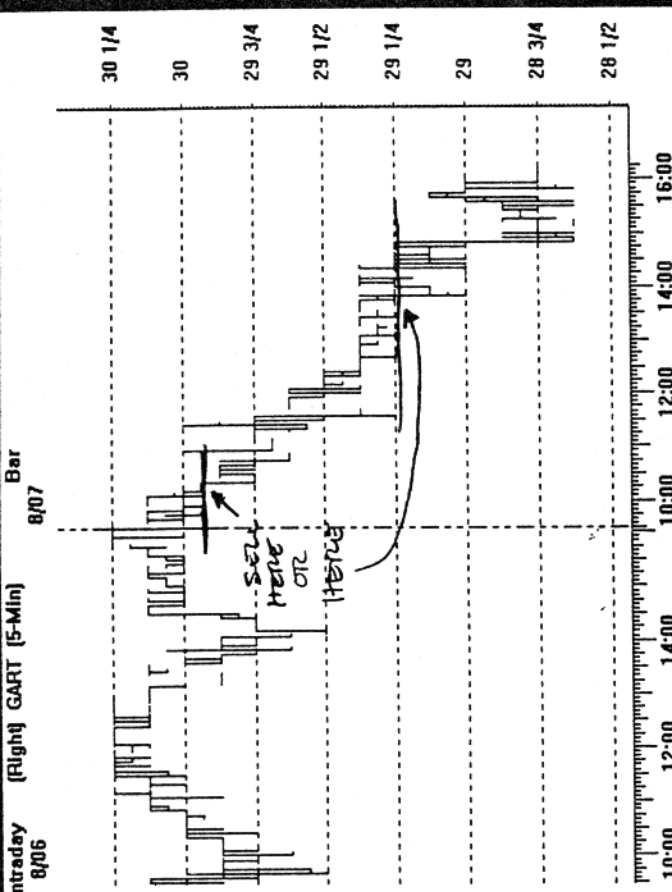
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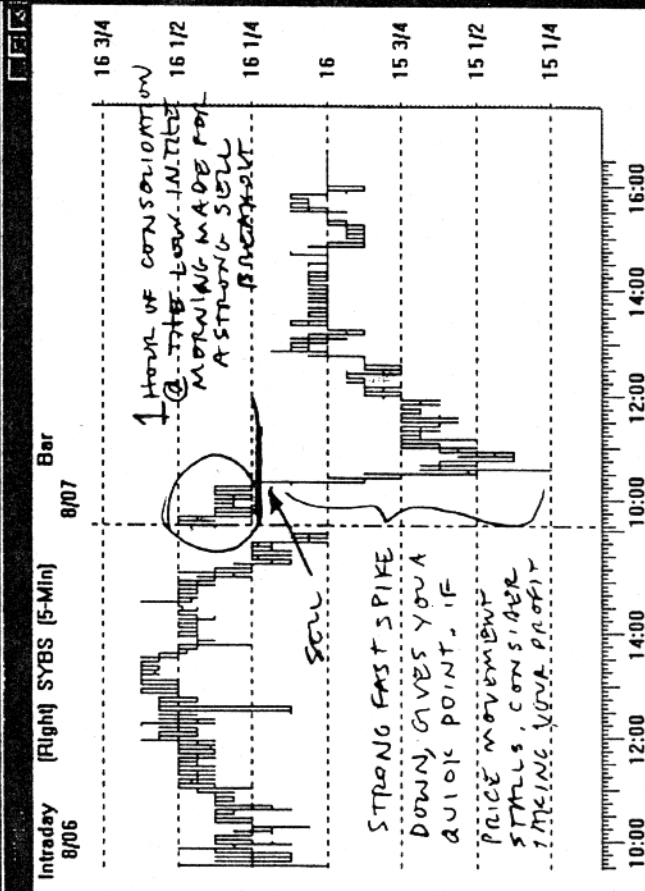
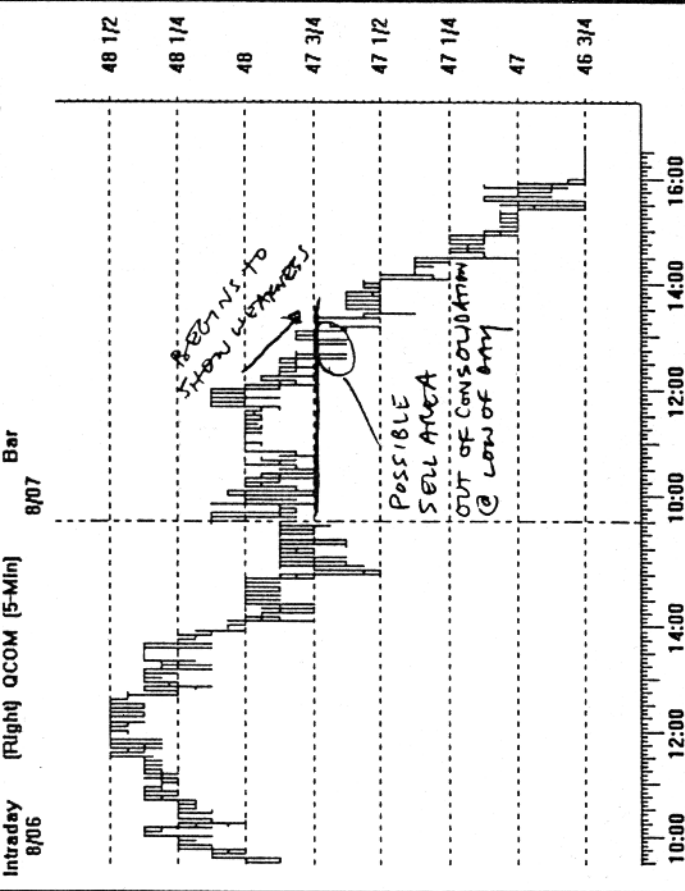
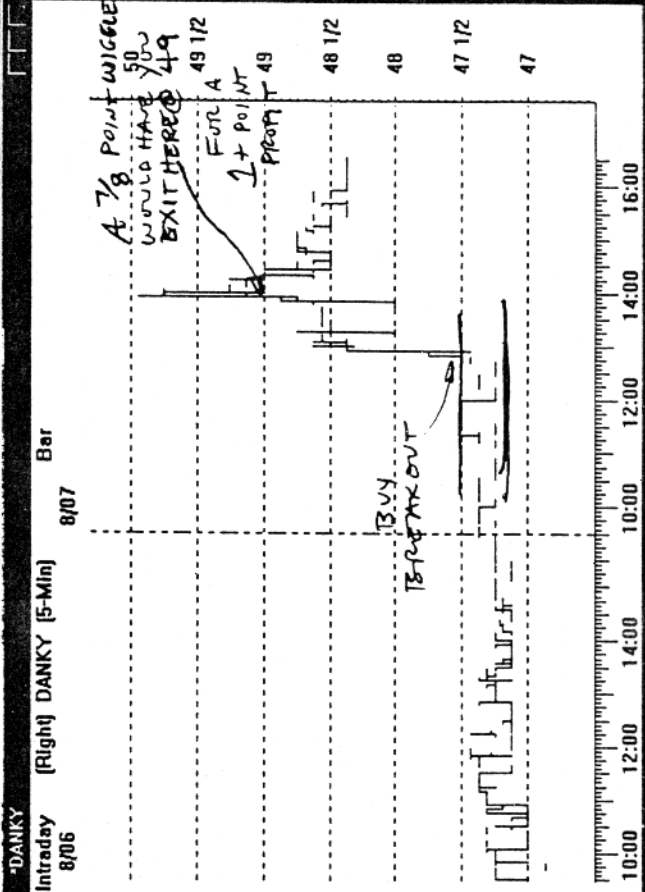
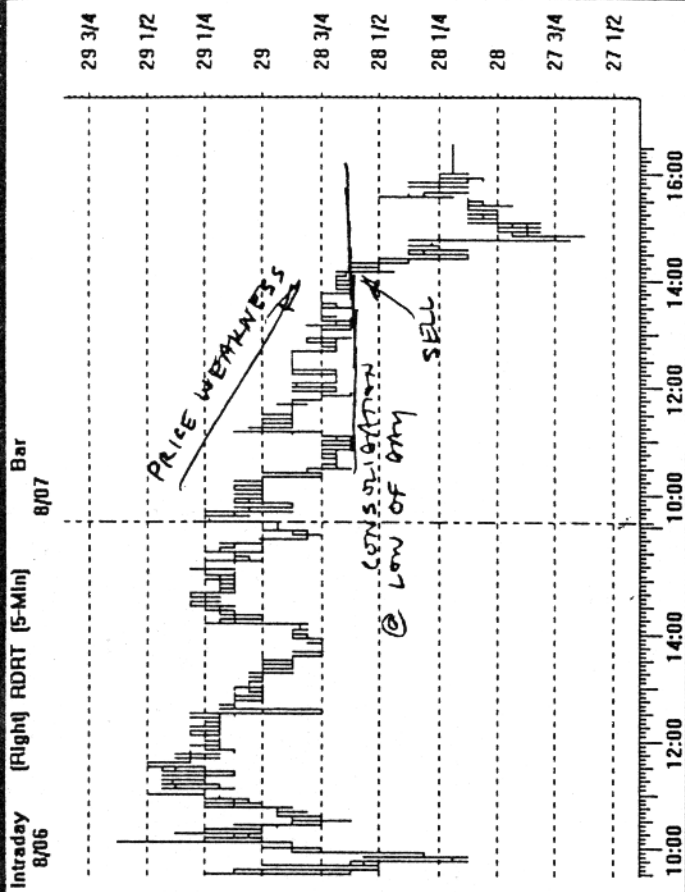


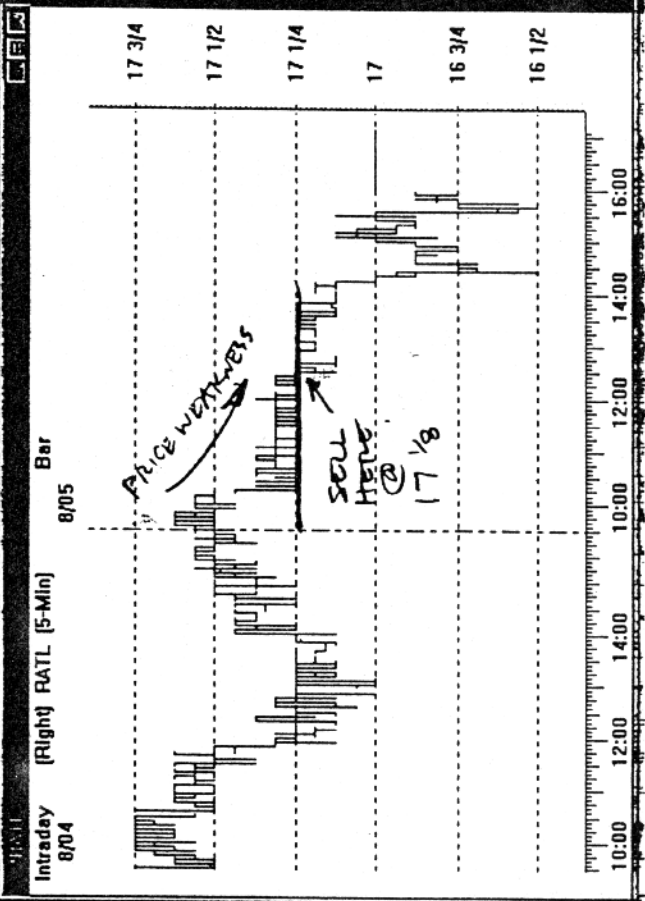
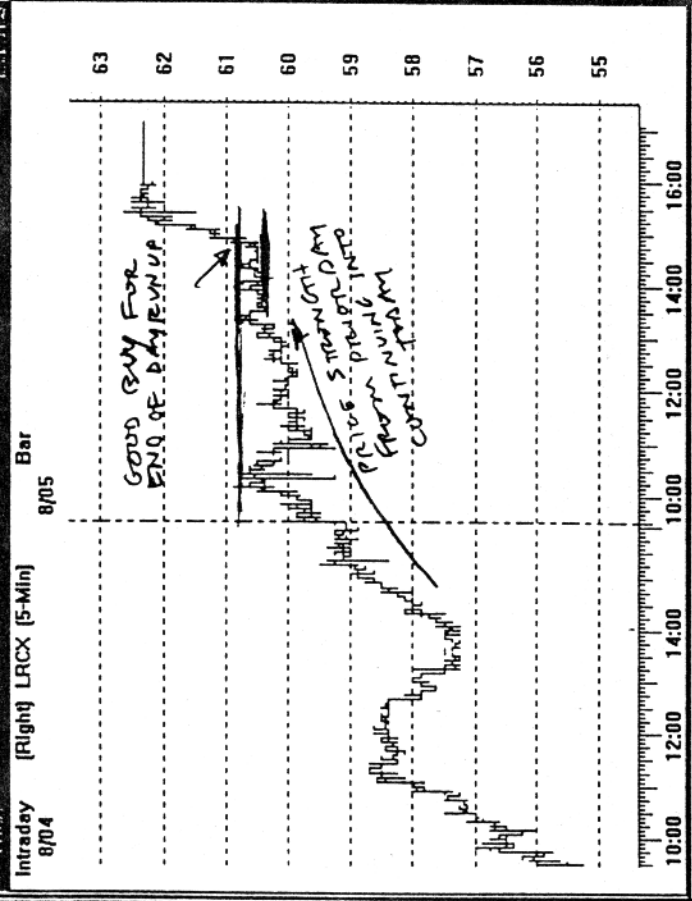
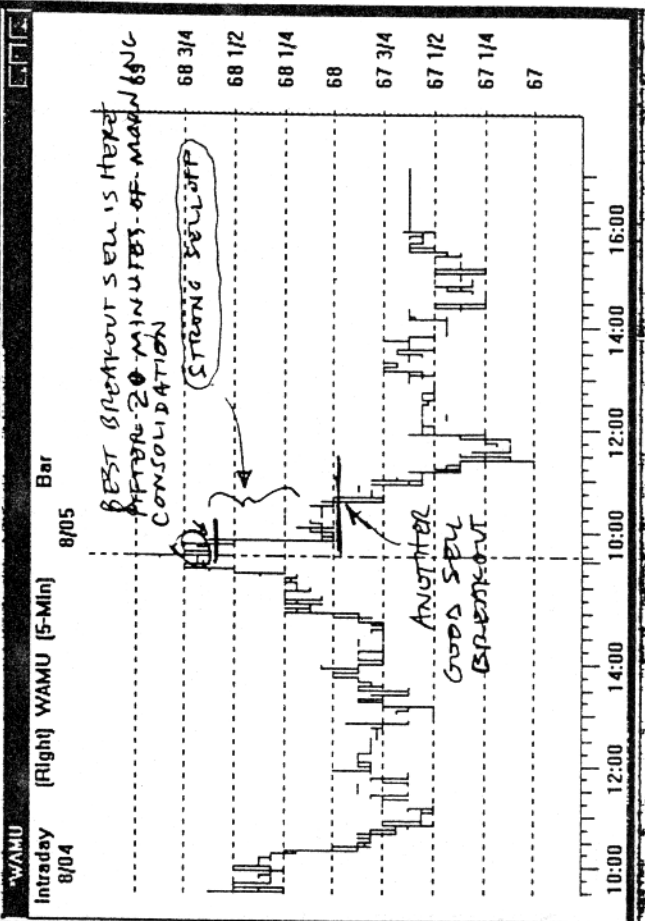
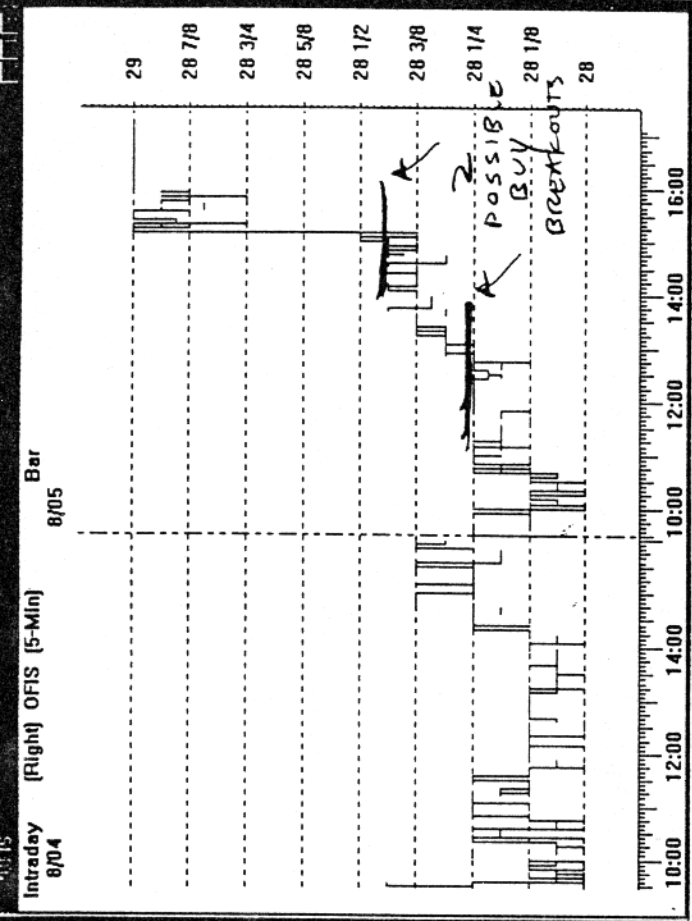
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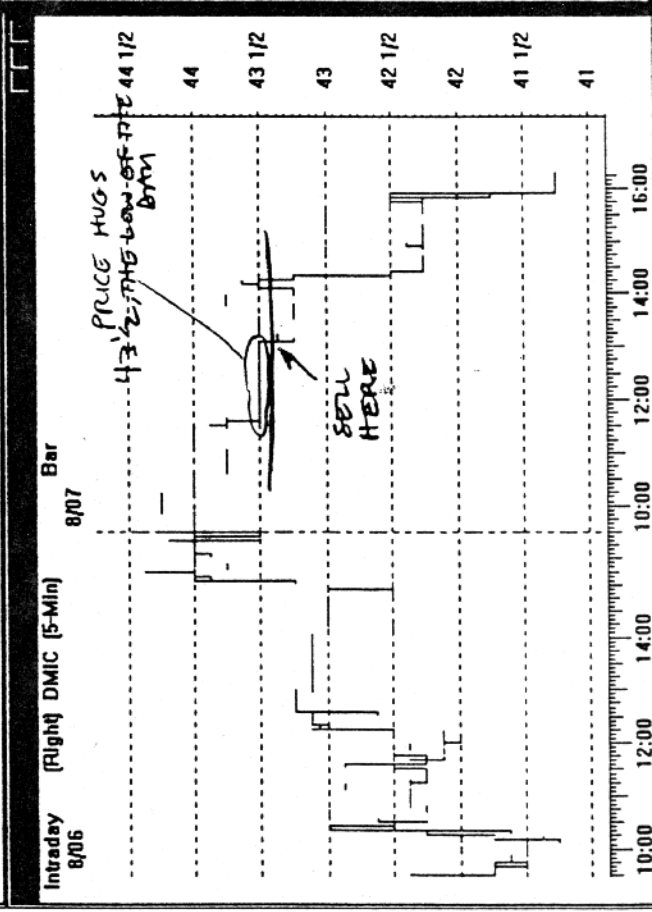
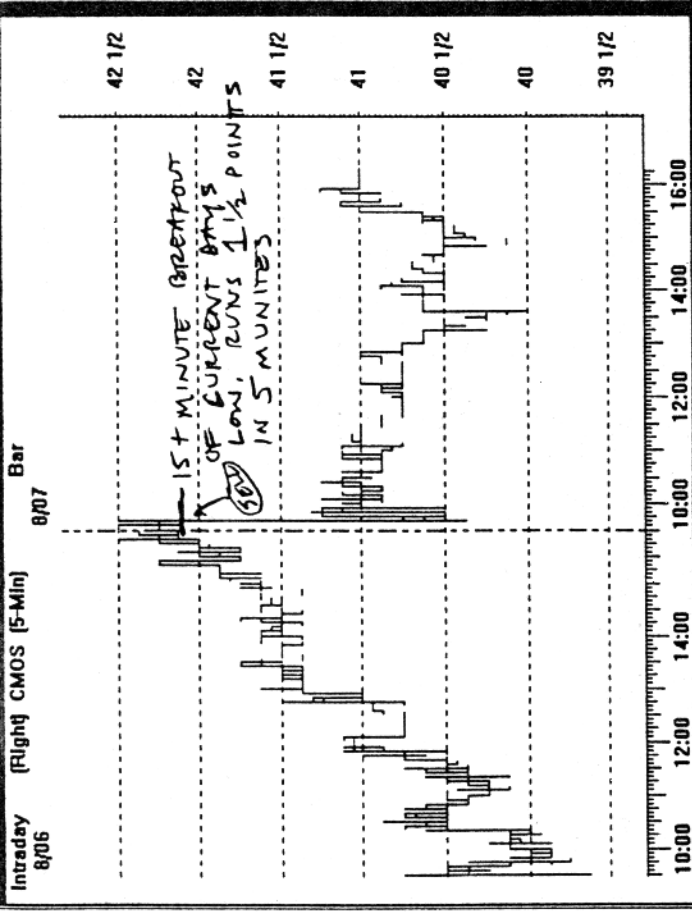
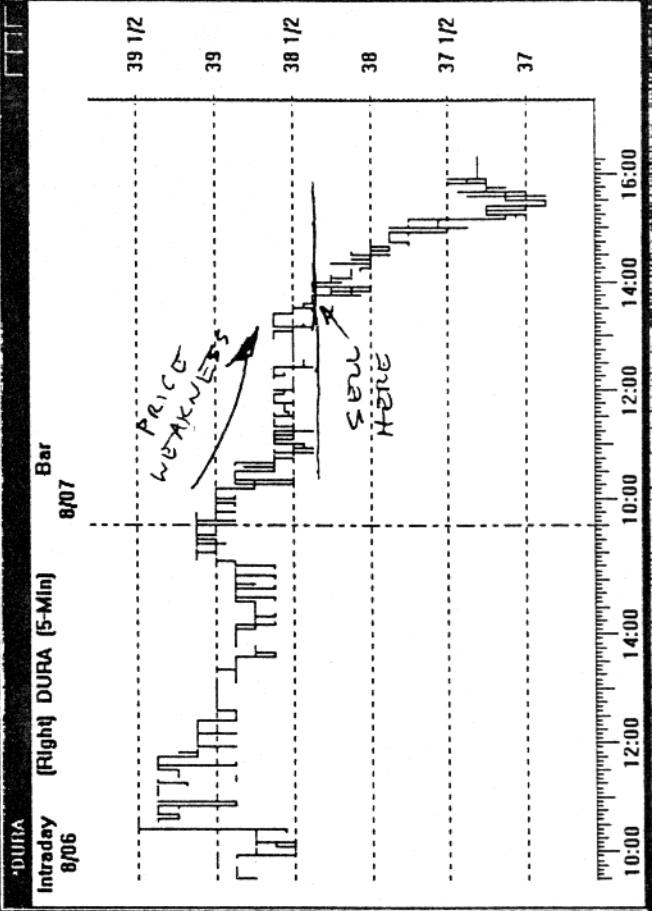
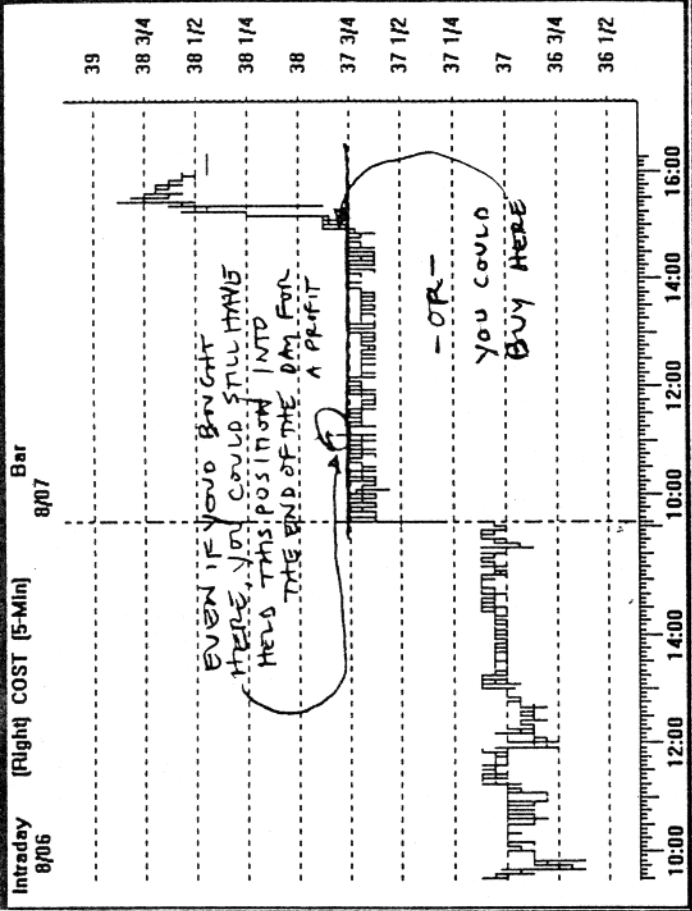
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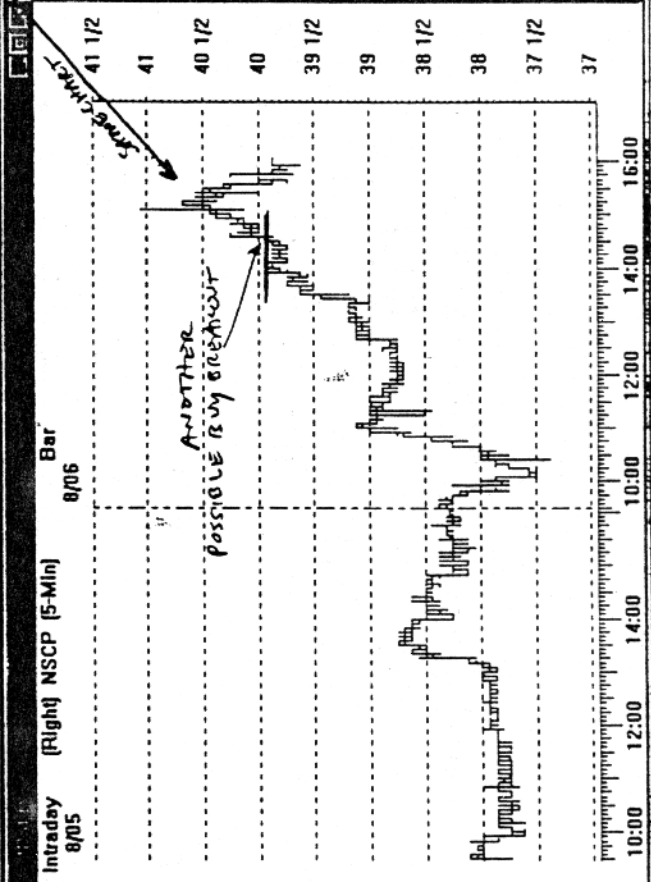
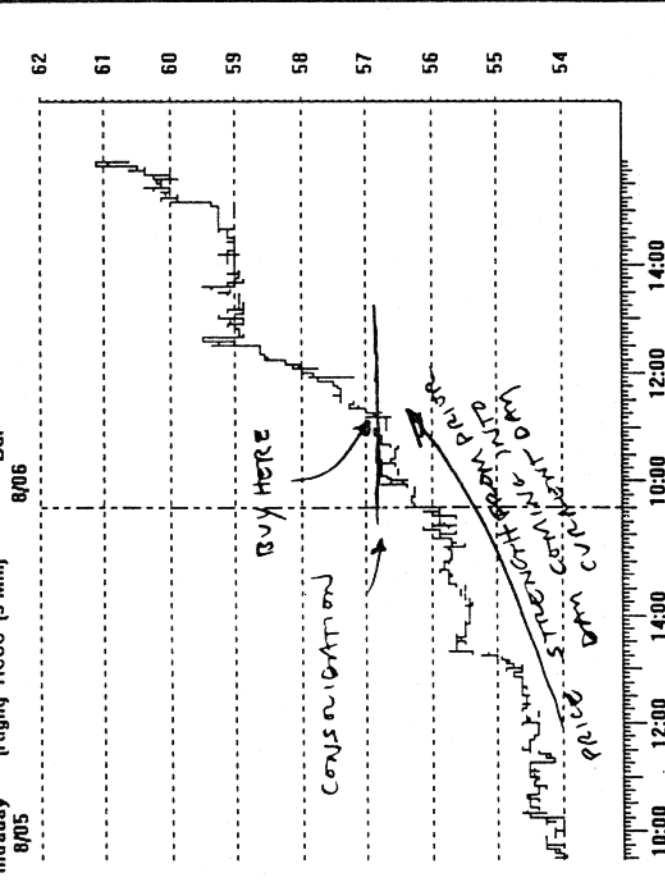
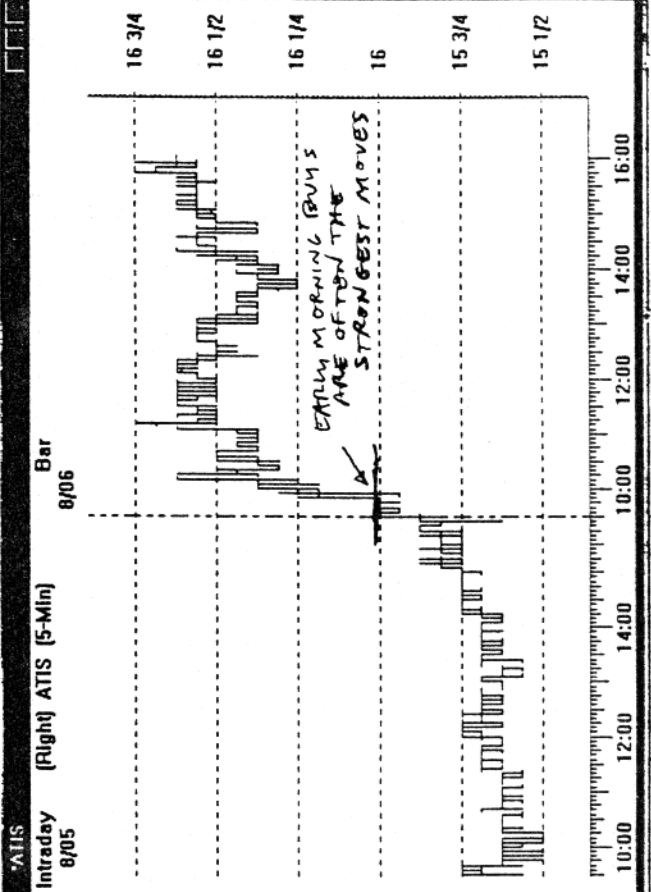
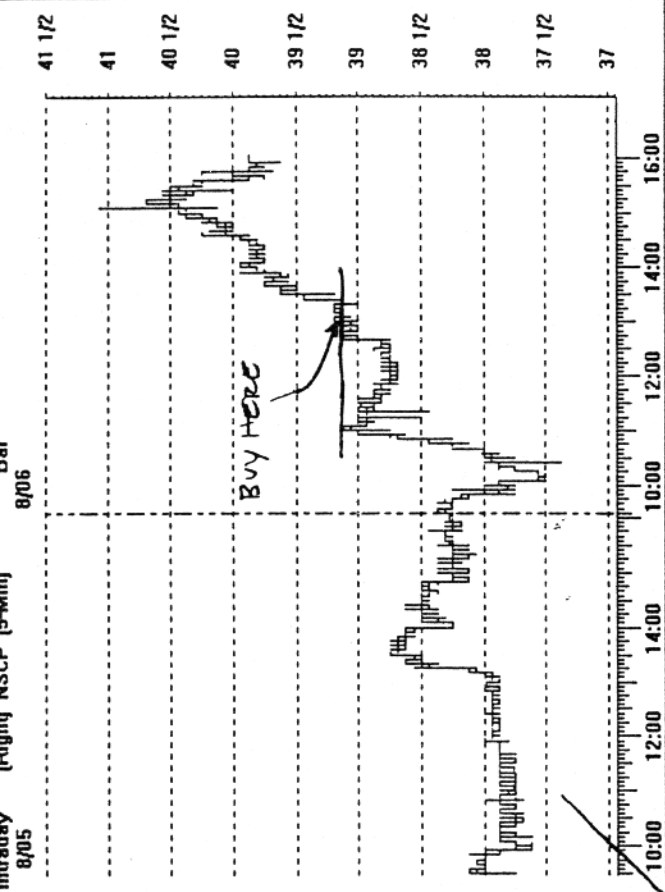


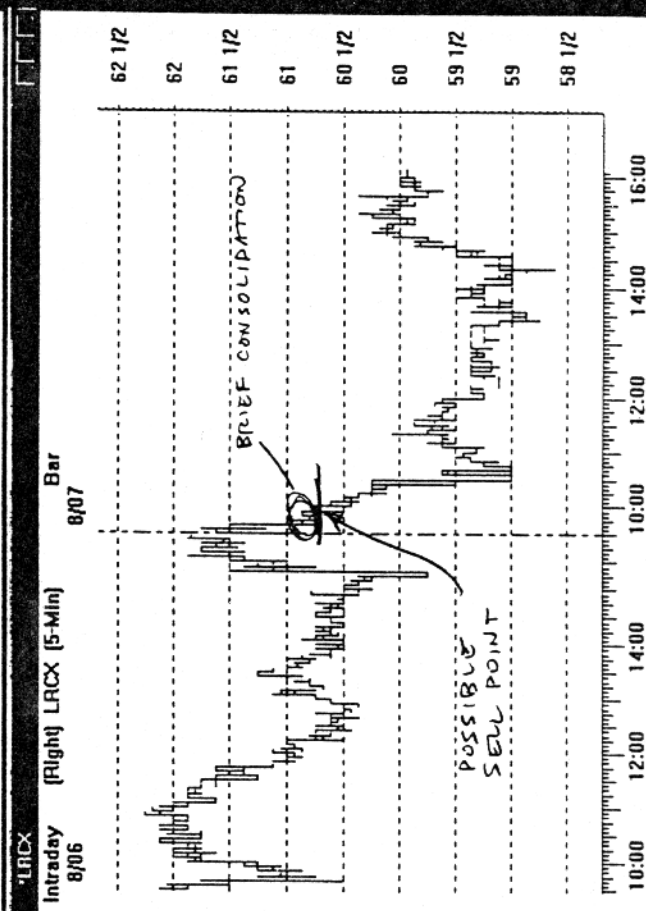
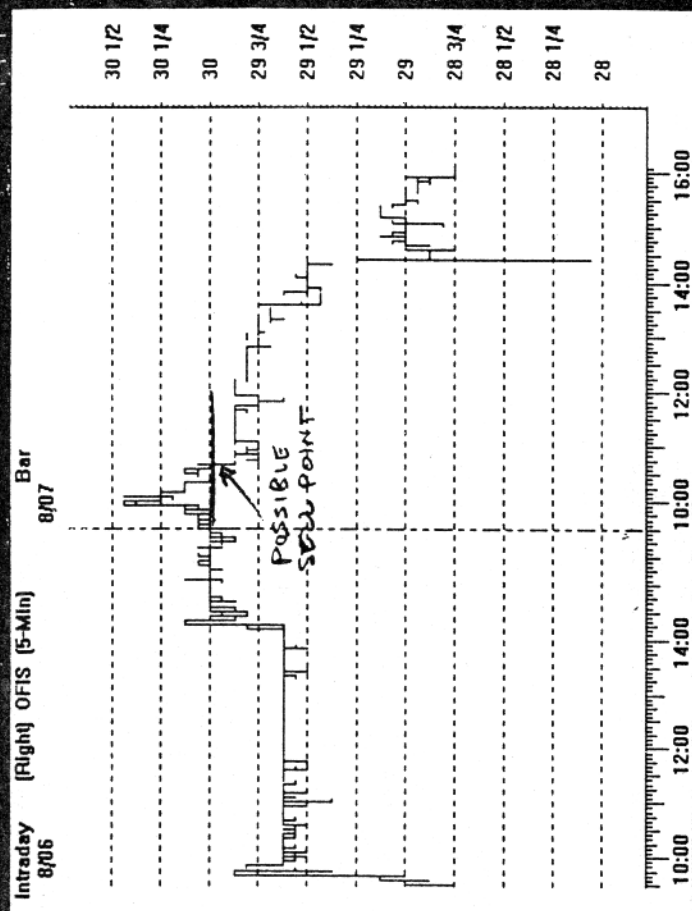
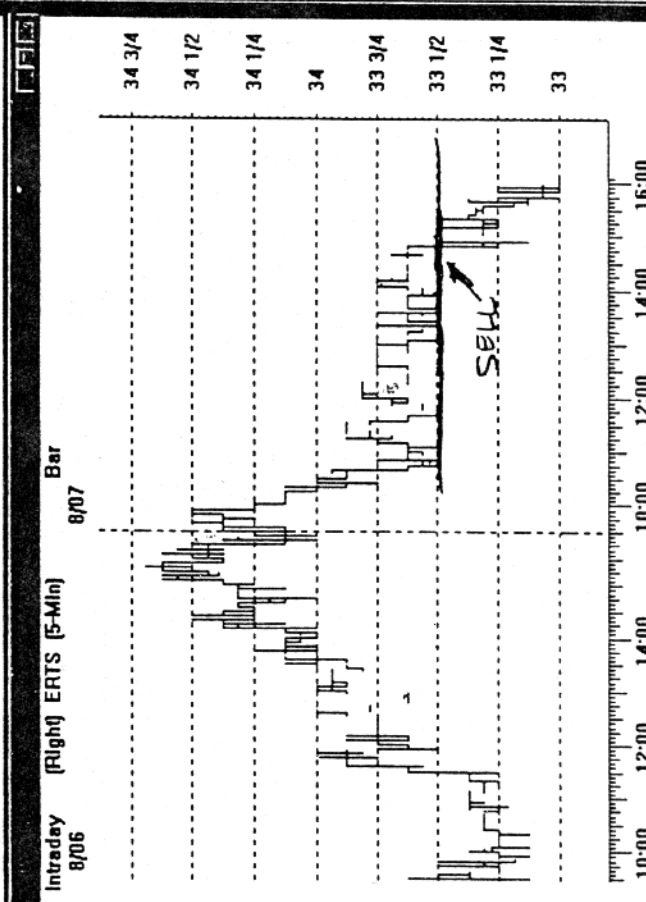
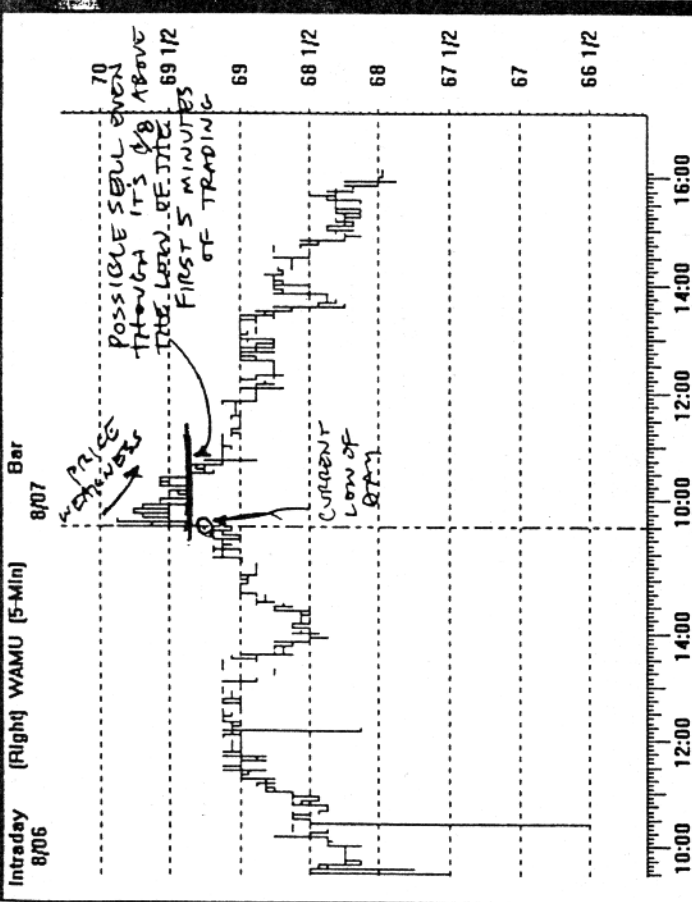


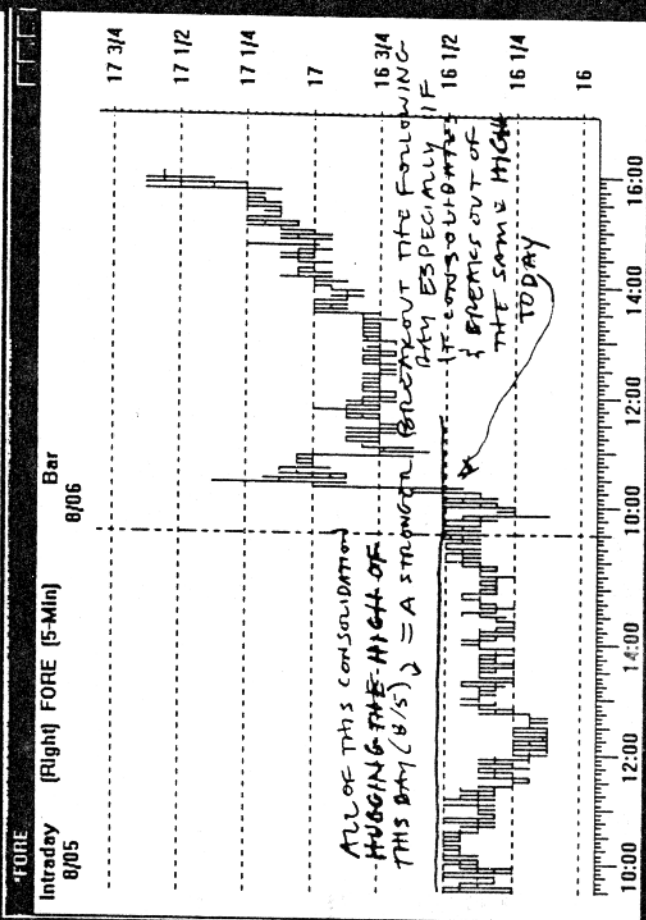
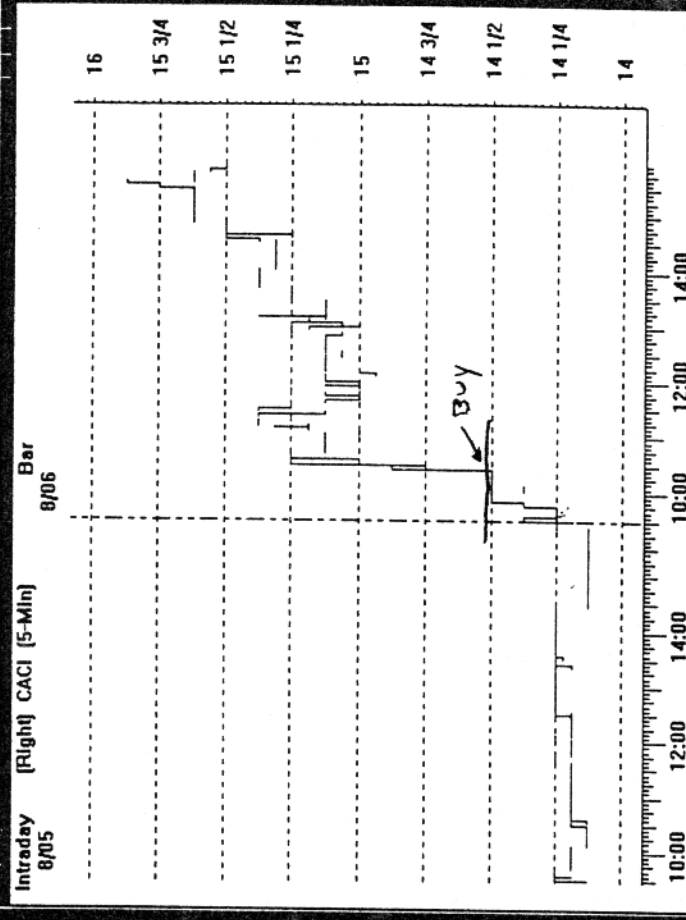
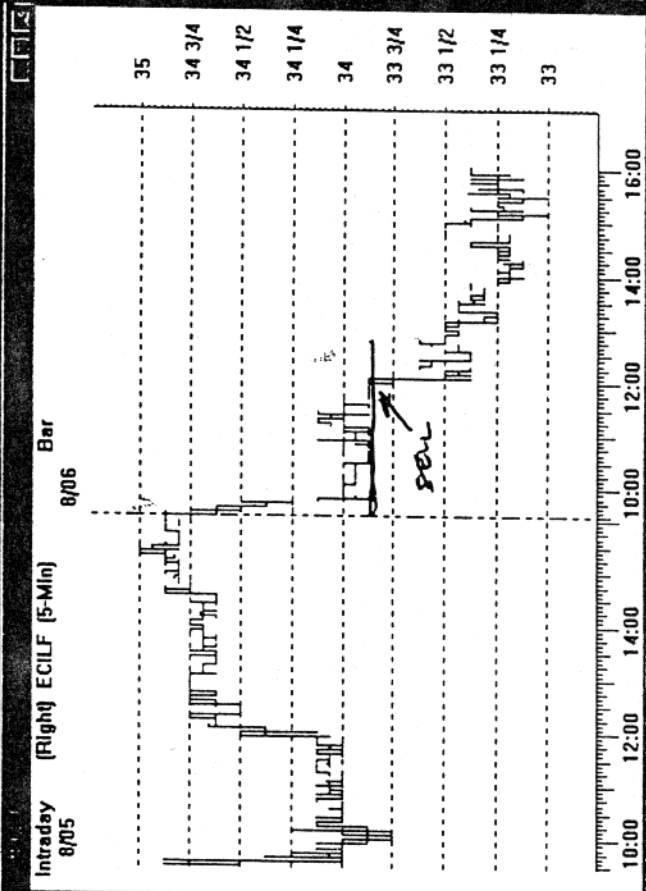
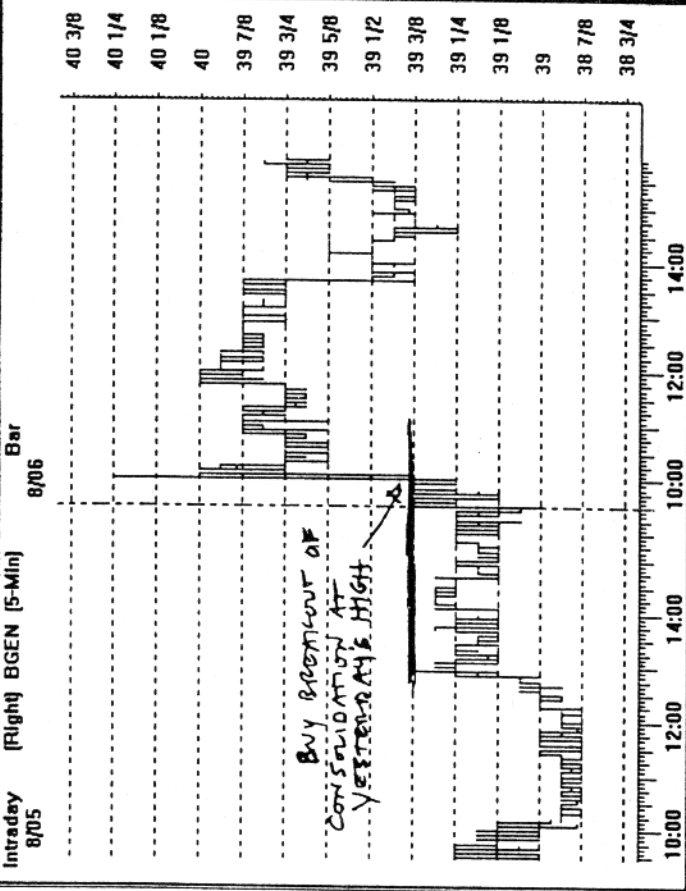


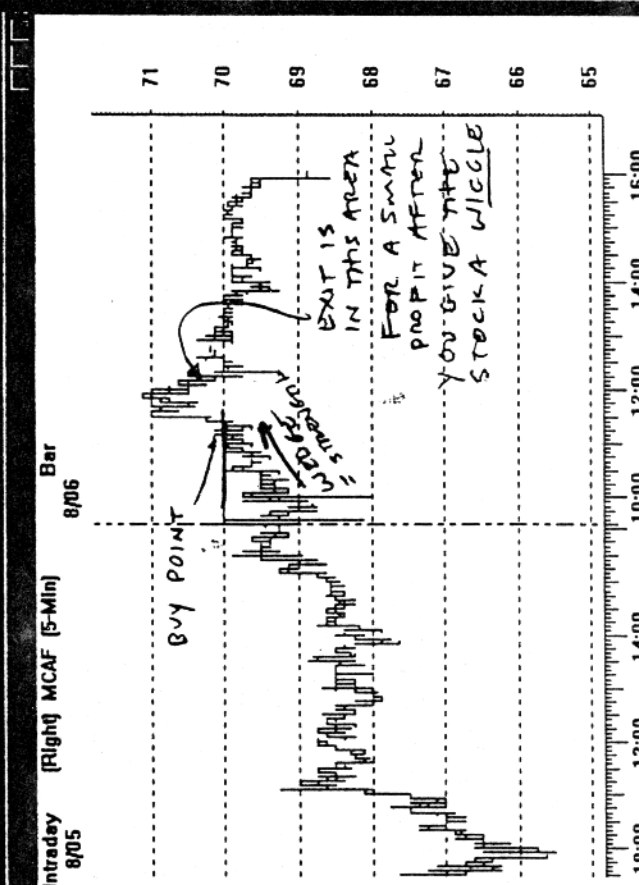
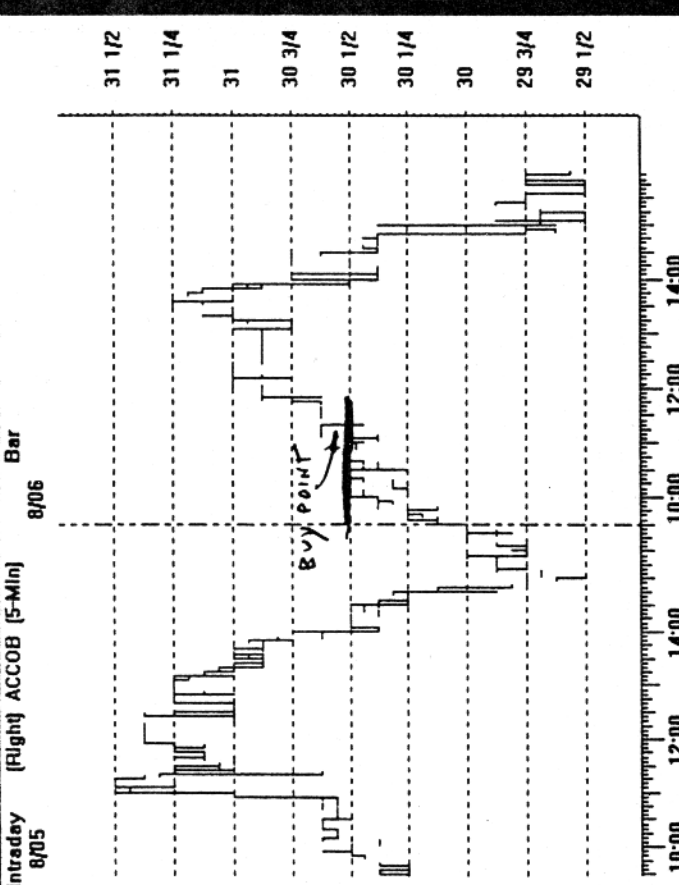
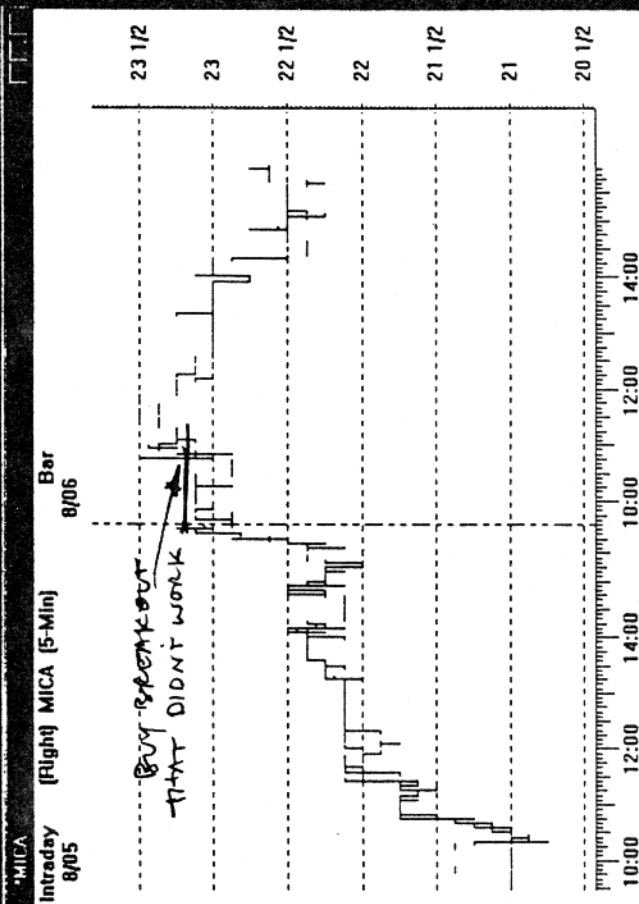
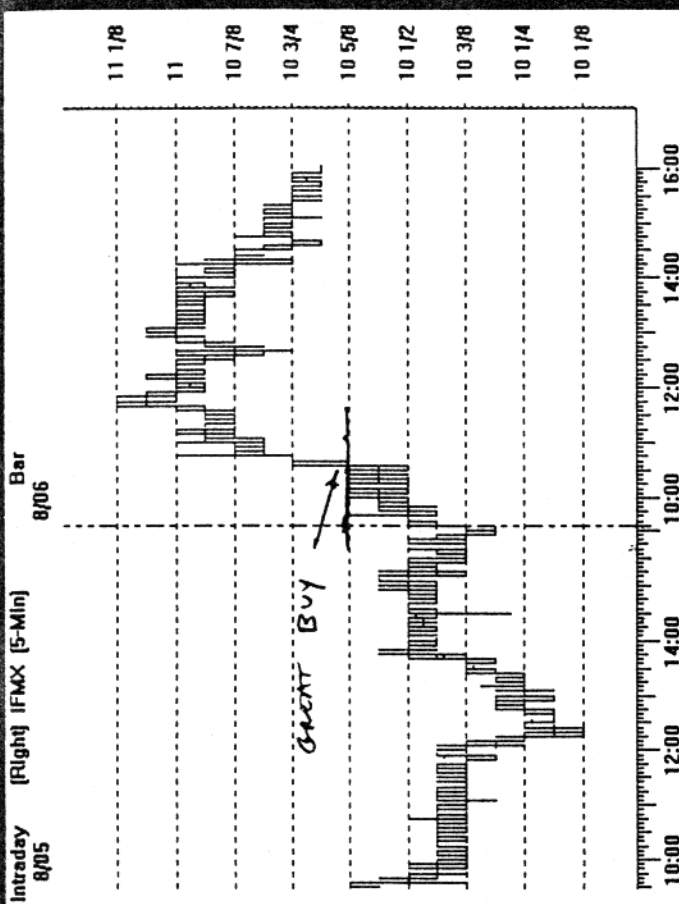


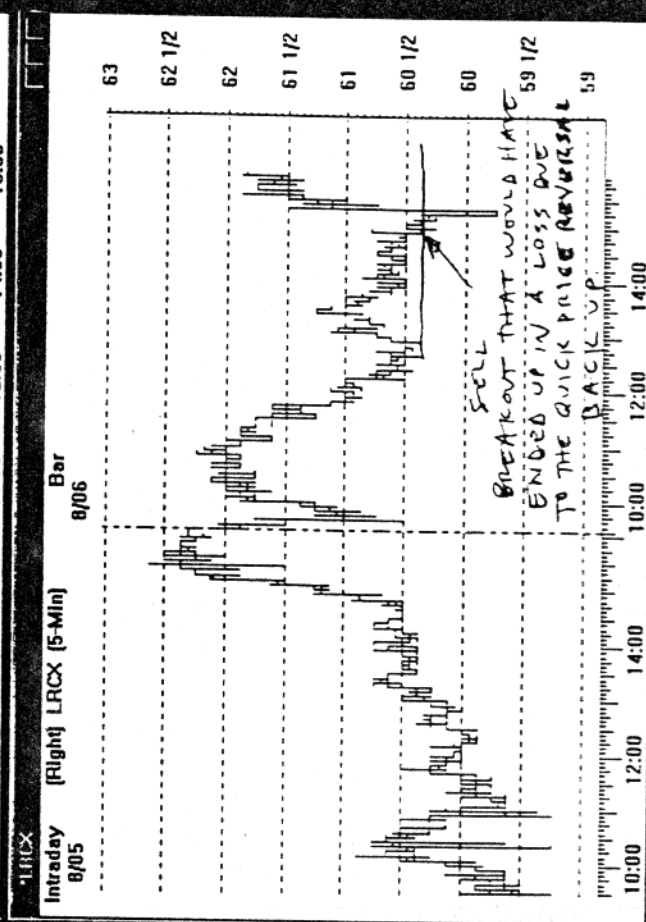
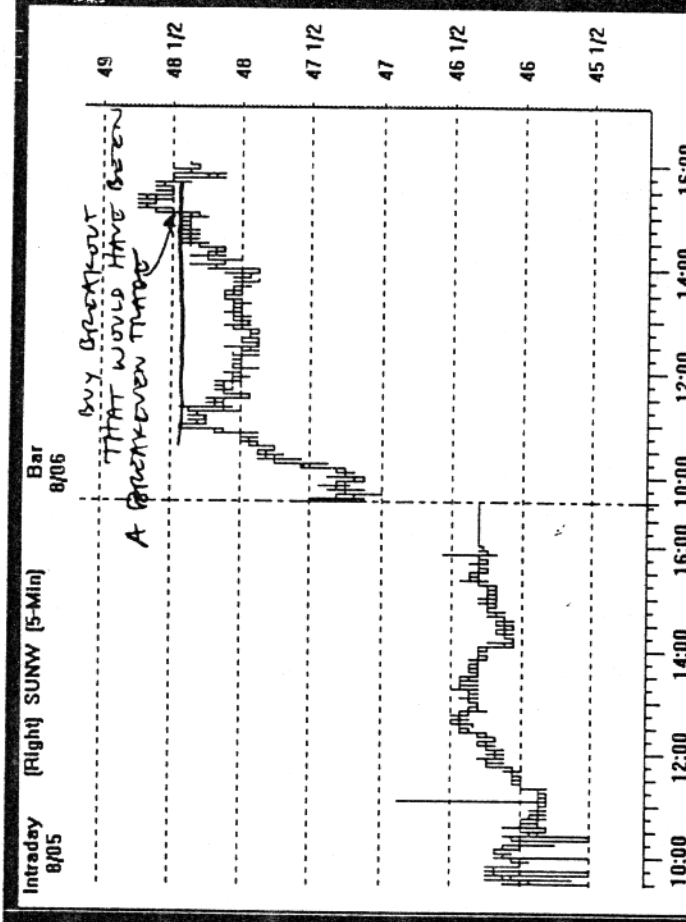
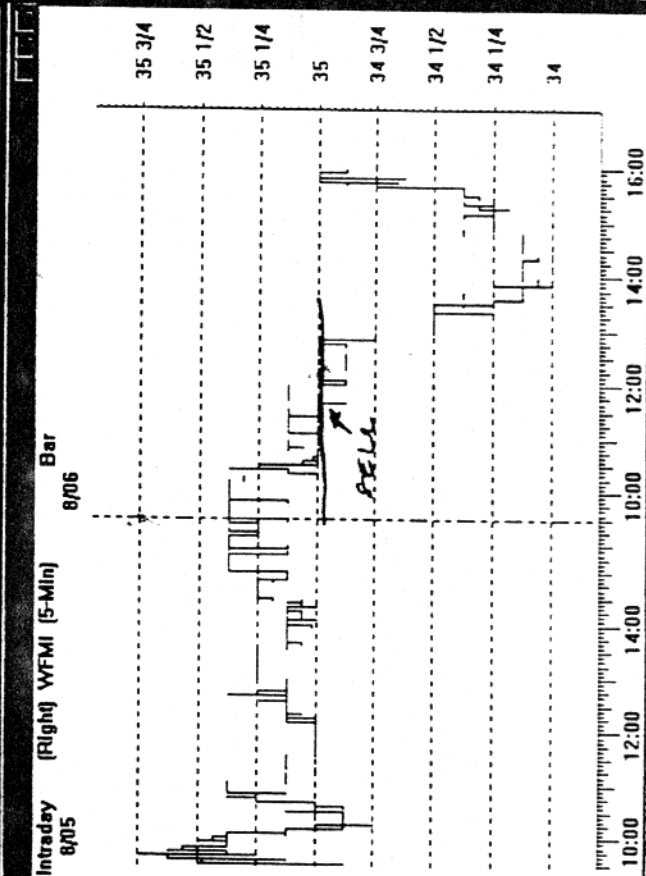
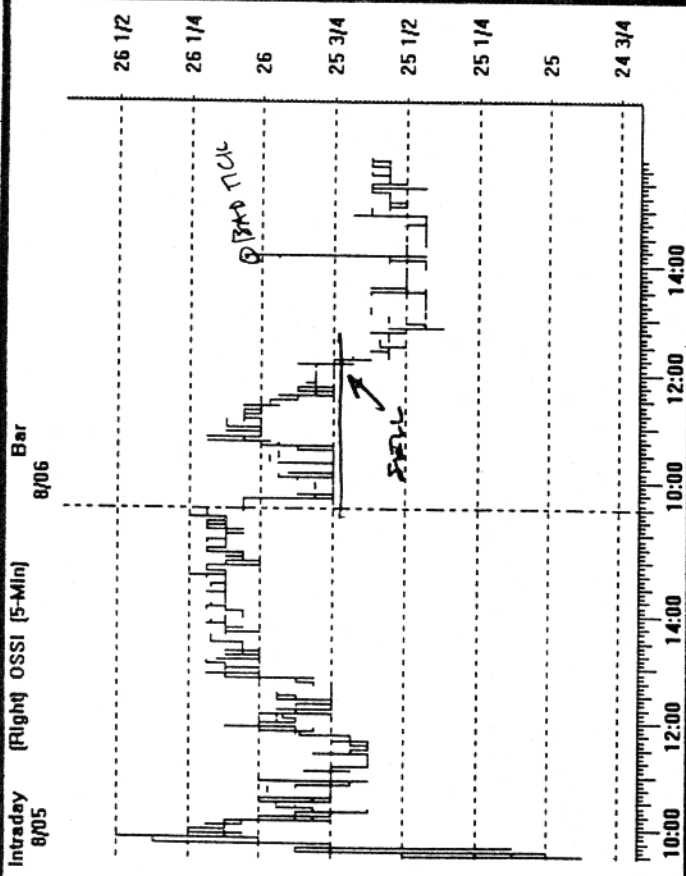


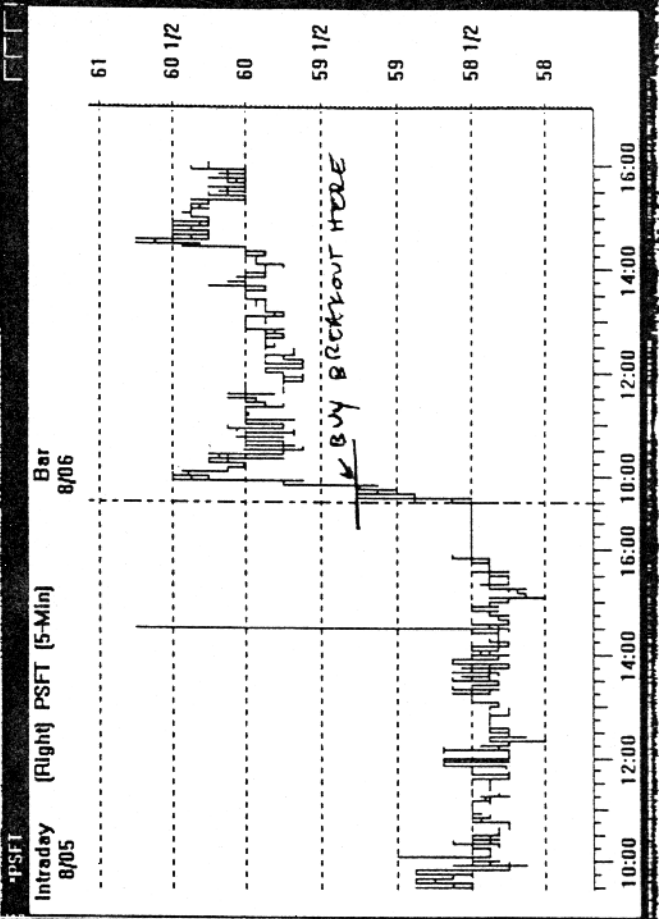
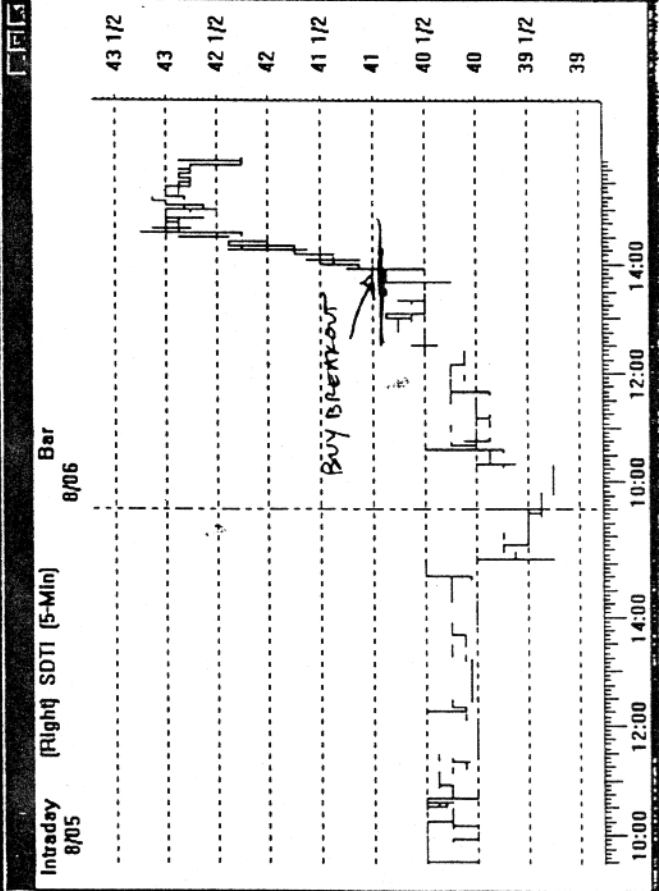
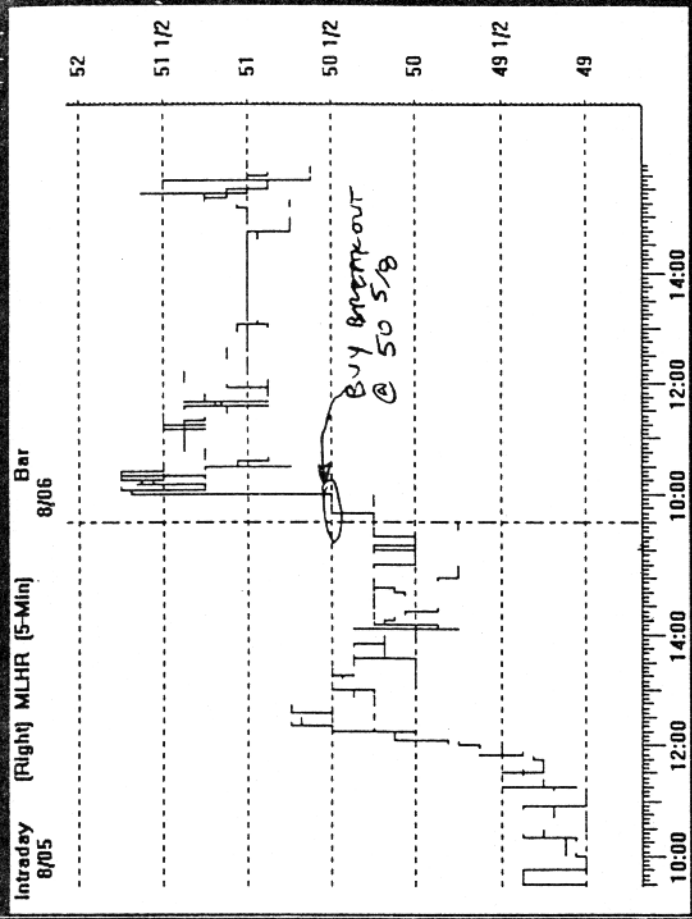
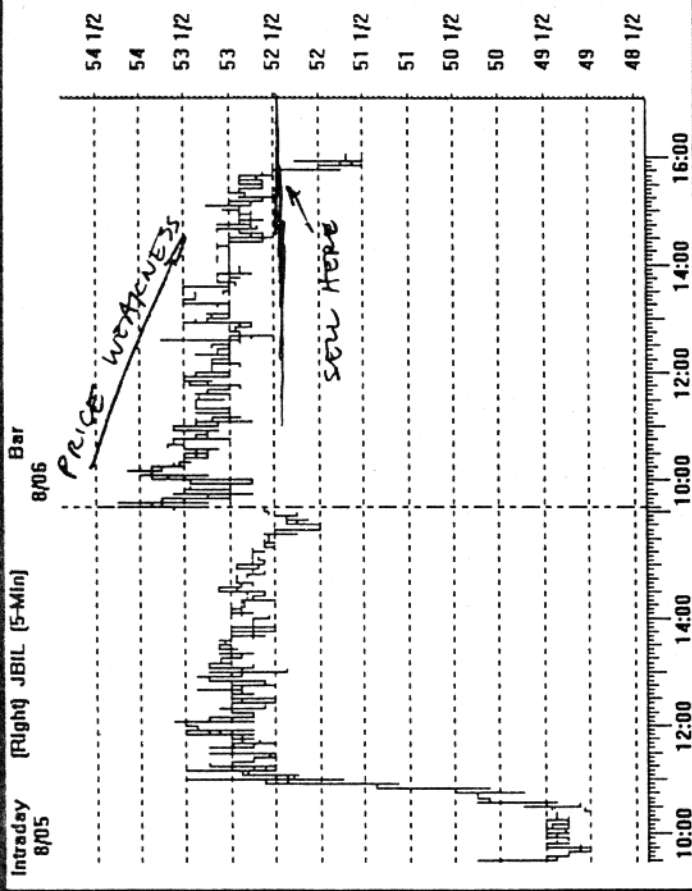




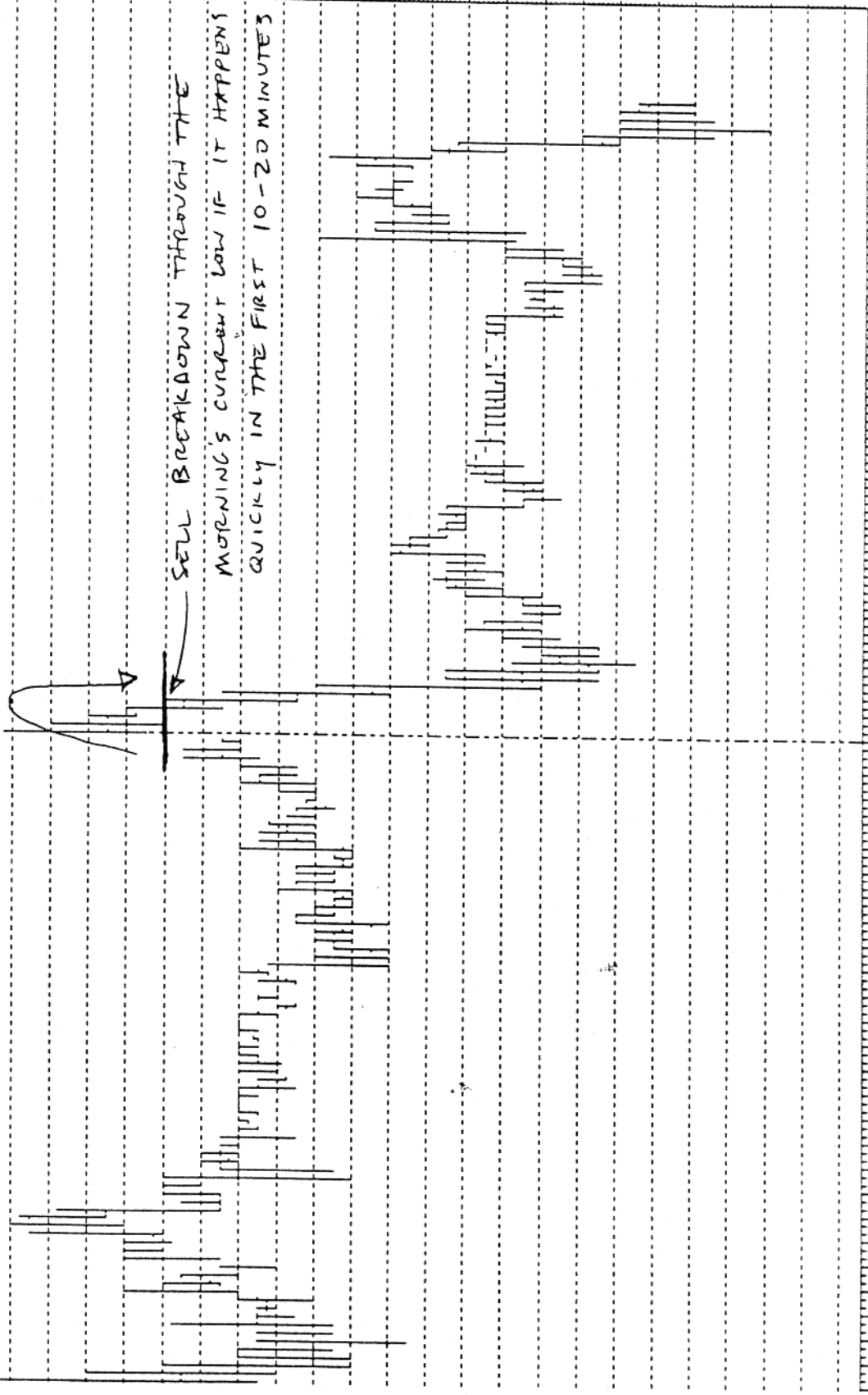








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1 TO 3 DAILY BAR SETUPS

(for day trading)

INTRODUCTION:

In this section we'll be looking at a stock's daily historical bar chart and isolating high probability day trades by analyzing yesterday's price bar. In some cases the past 2 or 3 daily bars will also be part of the setup. Knowing in advance which stocks have these setups prepares you to react quickly once the market opens. These trades are geared primarily for entering soon after the morning bell rings as price chooses its direction. You will not be "predicting" the stock's direction. Instead, you'll be reacting to the price movement depending on where the stock opens today in relation to yesterday's price bar. Three primary setups are presented. Several scenarios are depicted that yield "high-odds" trades.

W/R BAR, EXTREME CLOSE

This is a bar that has a Wide Range (from high to low) and also closes at or very near its high or low of the day. You can pick each of these out relatively easily just by comparing its size to the average bar size on the stock's daily historical chart. Often these days are followed by 1 or more days of strong price movement providing a good day trading opportunity. Here is how this basic setup looks:



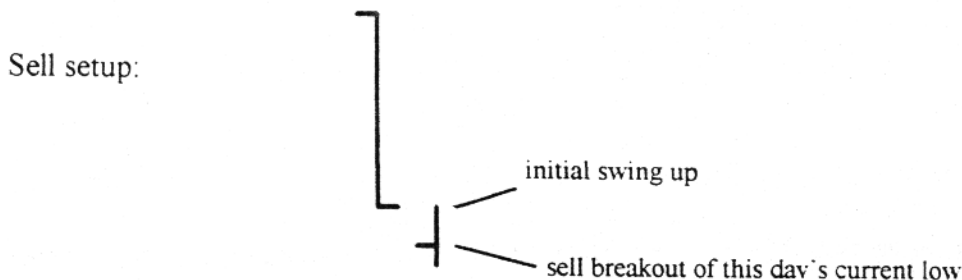
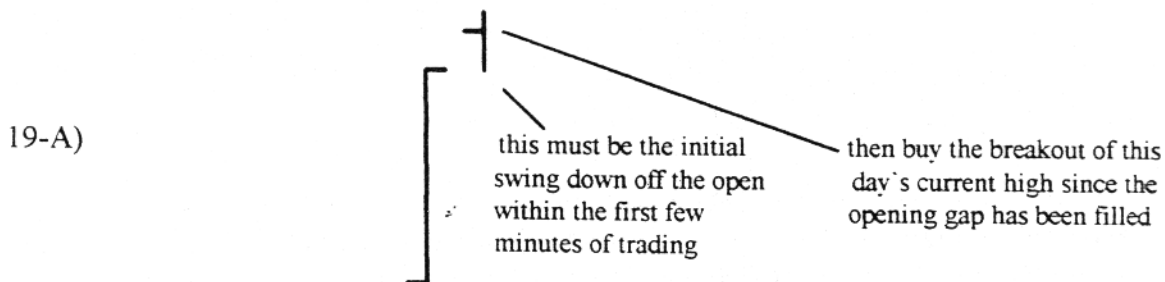
This is the same principle when inverted:



Bars which open at the low and close at the high (or vice versa) are the strongest setups.

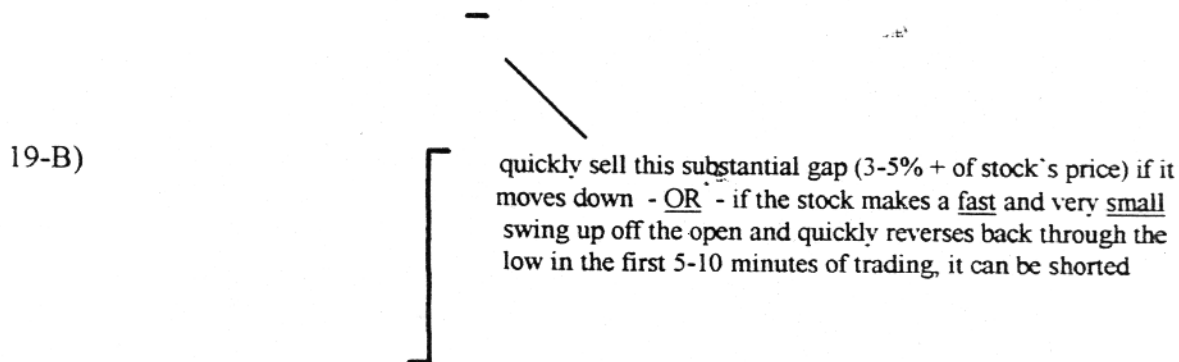
There are 4 trade setups that depend on where the stock opens the next day in relation to the close of the W/R bar. The first 2 setups have rather clear cut entry rules. The other 2 setups can be a bit trickier during the first 10 - 15 minutes of trading. These second 2 setups are described in more detail and also offer an alternative entry point based on the 5 minute bar chart.

The first setup is for an open slightly above the high of the W/R bar. #19-A is a buy setup (followed by the sell setup). On this type of open, price often swings down toward the high of the previous W/R day initially. This should happen quickly with price immediately reversing back upwards through the morning's current high. Buy the breakout of the high if this scenario plays out within the first 15 minutes of trading.

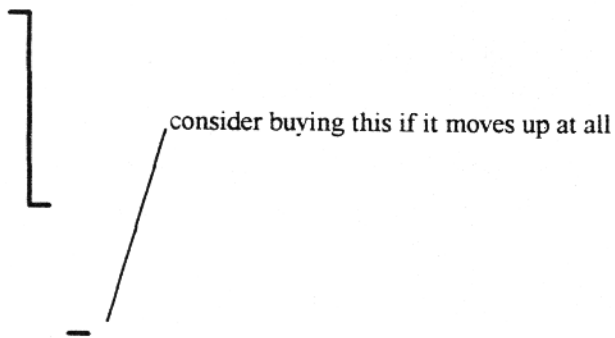


The above trade is even better if the stock has an established daily trend. You increase the odds of this trade when you are trading in the direction of the longer term trend.

The second setup, 19-B, is a substantial gap up on the open. If it moves down at all, consider quickly selling it short.



The reverse scenario:



There are 2 other setups. One occurs when price opens even with yesterday's close. The other is when price opens slightly below the close of a W/R bar that closed near its high (or price opened slightly above the close of a W/R bar that closed near its low). These may be played either long or short depending on several factors. The first consideration is if the W/R day sets up after a strong 3 - 5 day run up in the stock, or if it is the 1st or 2nd day of a strong move up. If it is only the 1st or 2nd day then the tendency is to the buy side on these 2 opening setups. After a 3 - 5 day run up, the tendency leans toward the sell side as a correction is probably due.

The converse of this is true with a W/R day that closes at its low. If this is the 1st or 2nd strong day down, then odds favor a continuation of this short term price swing. 3 - 5 strong days down and these 2 setups favor a bounce to the long side as a correction. Therefore, a trade setup for early morning entry is provided as well a more conservative entry based on waiting a little longer into the morning and keying off of the 5 minute bar chart. The other factor to consider is whether you are in the midst of a bull or bear swing in the overall market. This also influences the odds behind which direction the stock is more likely to move.

These are the 2 setups with a W/R day that closed near its high:



Here are the examples of the 2 setups with a W/R day closing near its low.



On a W/R day where price opens even with yesterday's close, you can consider buying a move up off the open.



You may instead want to wait for the stock to move one direction or the other and show consolidation at the current session's high or low for 2 to 3 bars on the 5 minute intraday chart. If the stock has not moved too far in price you can then enter a trade on the consolidated breakout of the high or low. This is the alternative entry. You may miss some of the price move (or miss it entirely), but it lowers your risk of an early morning fake out. If you are convinced the initial move off the open (up or down in this setup) is the direction the stock will take for the day then you can buy or sell this stock no more than 3/8 points from the open. Remember, also consider the odds of the direction based on what was mentioned earlier. Ask yourself how many days has this stock run up strongly, what is the overall market direction of the last few days, and how is the market index moving on its intraday chart (gap up or down, moving up or down strongly etc.).

The last W/R bar sets up when the next day's open is just slightly below the close of the W/R bar up. It is usually a short sell trade, but occasionally may also go long. Do not buy this immediately off the open if it begins moving up. It will probably meet resistance at yesterday's close or high. If you are convinced that it is going to be a down move and retrace yesterday's bar then you can sell it early in the morning no more than 3/8 points off the open. If you are unsure of the true direction, then a more conservative approach is to wait for a few bars of consolidation on the 5 minute chart at the current day's high or low. You could then enter on a breakout in either direction. This is especially true on the buy side since resistance is expected at yesterday's close and high. Preferably the 5 minute consolidation should be at or above yesterday's close and high for buying this stock.

Once again look at how many days this stock has run up or down. Also consider the overall market trend daily and intraday #19-D shows the setup with a W/R bar up.

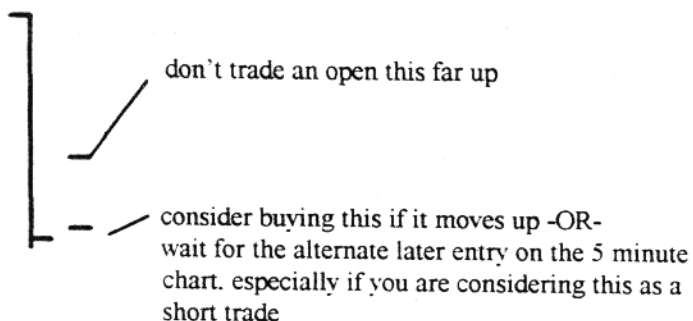
19-D)



consider selling this open if it moves down at all.
look to the market maker screen for momentum down.
if the open gaps much lower than this then pass the
trade up! -OR- wait for the alternate later entry

don't trade an open this far down

The W/R bar down setup:

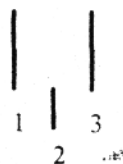


*** NOTE:** If you had intraday consolidation into yesterday's close (refer to last example in intraday section of manual) then the W/R bar setups are much stronger. If this is the case then you may wish to take the initial trade entry off the open on the above 4 setups. In these instances you probably will not want to wait for the alternate trade entries later in the morning.

Although I've mentioned probabilities of the direction to play 1 to 2 day versus 3 to 5 day price runs with a W/R day, they are simply guidelines. These rules are not set in stone. Sometimes even a 1 day W/R bar will have the next day retrace it. You have to listen (react) to the market and to what the market indexes are telling you about how a stock's W/R day should play out the following day. Once again, this is part of the art of trading. The most important point is that a W/R day is often followed by another day of significant movement where profit may be had. Be sure to rely on the 5 minute charts, and wait for an intraday setup if you are not convinced of the initial move off of the open the next day.

REVERSAL BAR SETUP

This 3 bar pattern when completed resembles this:



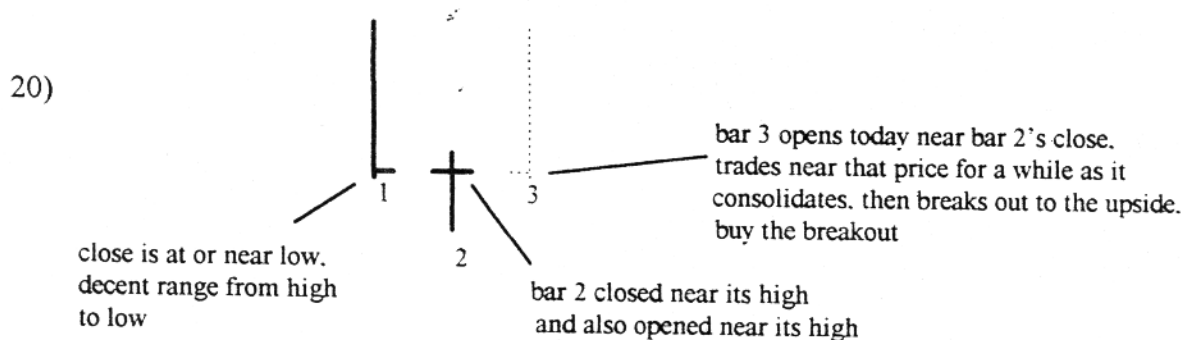
The setup consists of only the first two bars. The key here is

- 1) The close of bar 1 must be near its low
- 2) Bar 2's high must not be much above the low of bar 1
- 3) Bar 2 must close at or near its high (and preferably have opened near its high as well)
- 4) Bar 1's high should be 1+ points above the close (or high) of bar 2 to provide a decent profit -- the expectation is for day 3 to attempt to trade up to day 1's high

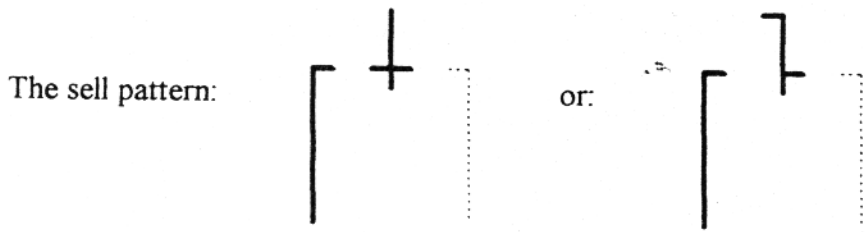
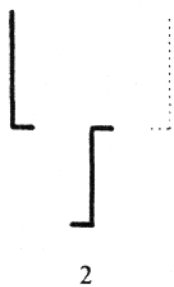
Bar 2 thus sets up as a potential reversal bar, and you look for a trade on day 3. If day 3 opens at or near the close of day 2 and begins moving up, this may be a good buy at anytime during the trading session of day 3. At this point the 5 minute intraday bar chart

can play an additional role if you see consolidation and then a breakout to the upside. This way you have 2 time frames working for you at once (daily and intraday). Buy the breakout. The wider the range of bar 1, the better the trade.

Here is setup #20:



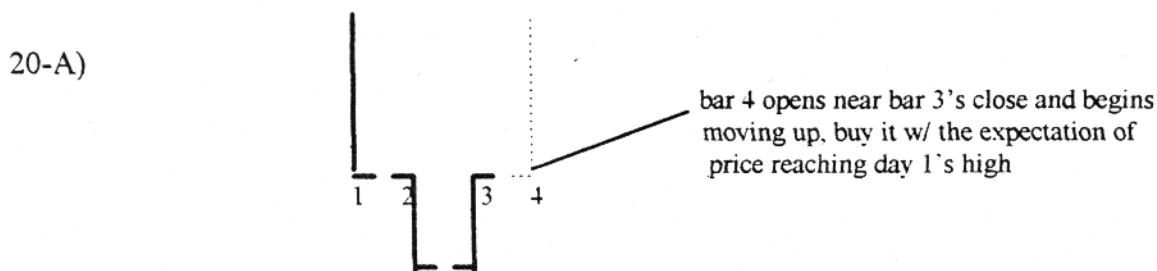
This setup can also have the following look to bar #2 (the reversal bar):



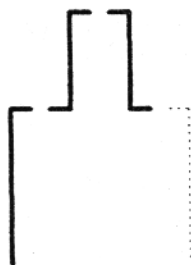
DELAYED REVERSAL SETUP

This is a variation on the 1 bar reversal. It is a 4 bar pattern with 3 bars setting up the trade for the fourth day. Day 1 must close at or near the bottom of that day's range. Day 2 opens at or near the close of day 1 and continues the prior day's sell off. Day 2 must also close at or near the low of that day's range. Day 3 must open at or near the close of day 2 and retrace back up to (or very near) the high of day 2. Also, day 3 must close at or near its high of the day. If the stock opens on day 4 near the close of day 3 and begins to move up, buy it. The wider the range of bar 1, the better the trade.

Here is setup #20-A:



the inverse



So, how do you find these reversal setup of bars? By trading and reviewing charts daily you will learn to pick out possible setups and earmark those stocks in your mind. A daily analysis worksheet is provided later in the manual. When one of those particular stocks comes across the ticker, you go to that stock's screen and automatically know what you are looking for. If the setup is there, and you're getting a breakout, consider taking the trade. The sell setup is an inverted reversal pattern. In a buy setup the expectation is that the stock will move up to or near the high of bar 1. In the inverted reversal sell setup you would expect the stock to sell off down to or near the low of bar 1.

SUMMARY

Obviously you need to be aware of the "W/R day" and "reversal" setups before the market opens, and be ready to act quickly when the daily chart and market maker screen tell you

it's "time to trade". Being aware that a stock's longer term trend is up can be important when you have a buy setup and vice versa. Also, keeping tabs on the daily and intraday trend of the NASDAQ market index helps. But these are trades you must act on quickly and decisively. The idea is to catch a good magnitude move at the earliest possible point and to get filled at the price you want.

CONCLUSION

The 1 to 3 day bar chart patterns are very powerful trades to be aware of. Entry timing and speed are critical. Reviewing a list of stocks that currently have these daily trade setups prepares you to react to the market using the highest probability trading patterns. Since they are mostly early morning trades, look to the daily chart and then market maker screen for market entry. The intraday 5 minute bar screen may also be useful this early in the trading day (especially if you are looking for consolidation during the end of the prior day to confirm your trade).

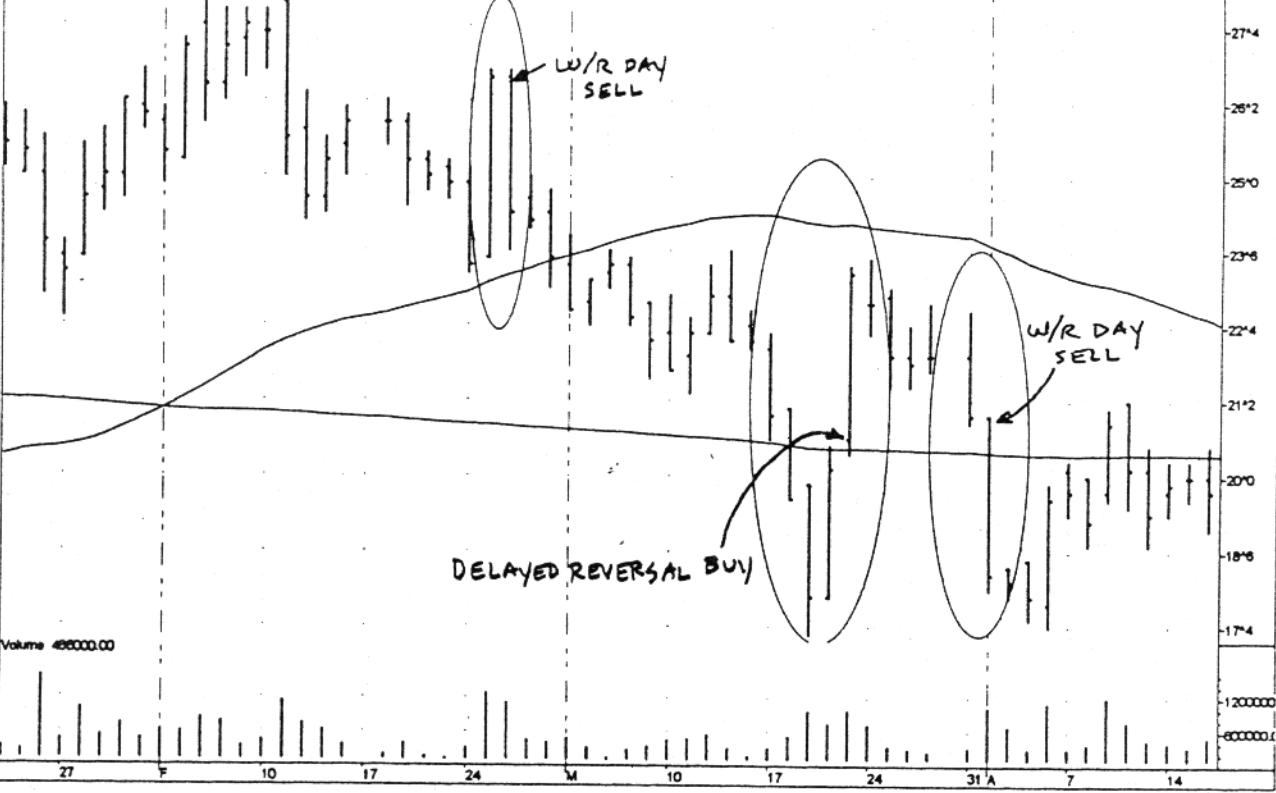
How far will a stock move in price once you've entered the market on one of these trade setups (or one of the intraday trade setups from the last section)? This is an important question. Using daily support and resistance areas, trendlines, trend channels, and some other common-sense analysis, you can get some idea of how far price might go before the close of the day. Probably the most significant reason to know this is to keep you out of some apparent "good trade entry setups" that don't have much room to move.

Some actual daily chart examples follow to show the 1 - 3 daily bar setups and how they appear in actual trading.

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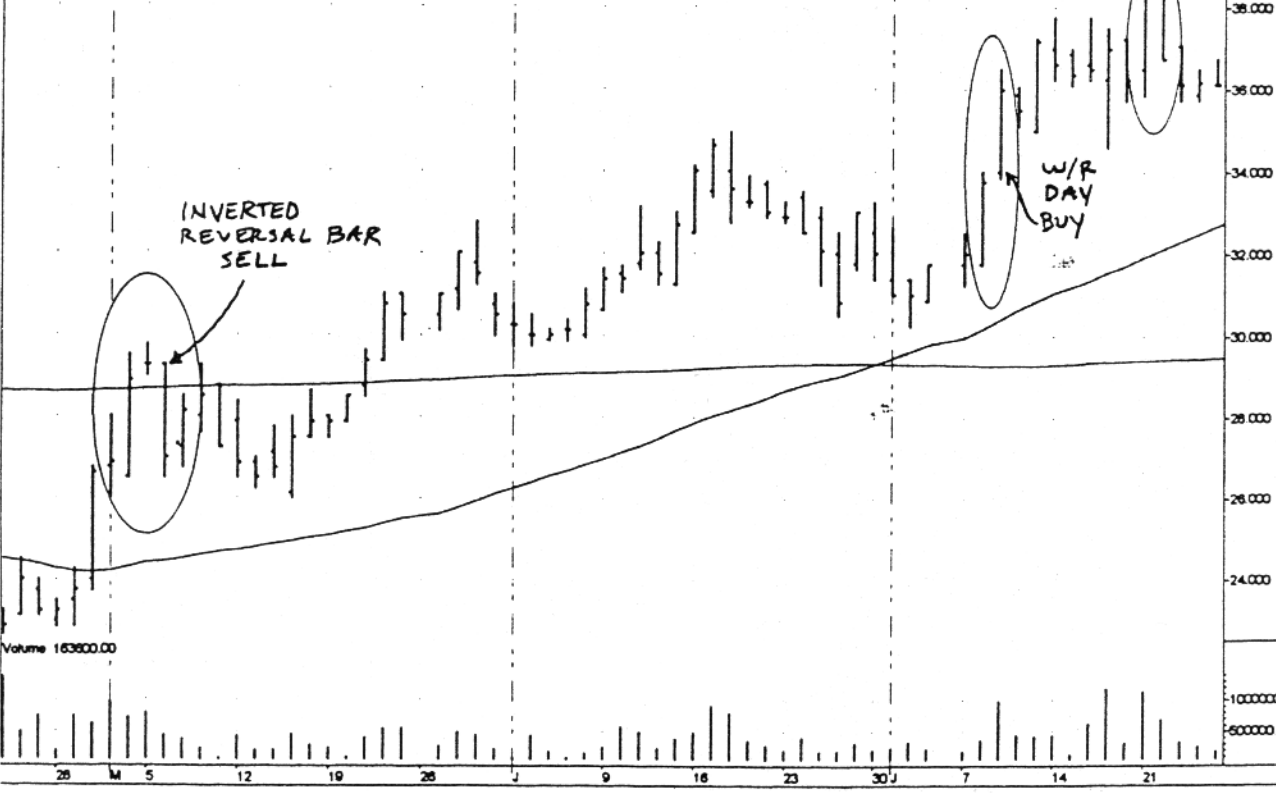
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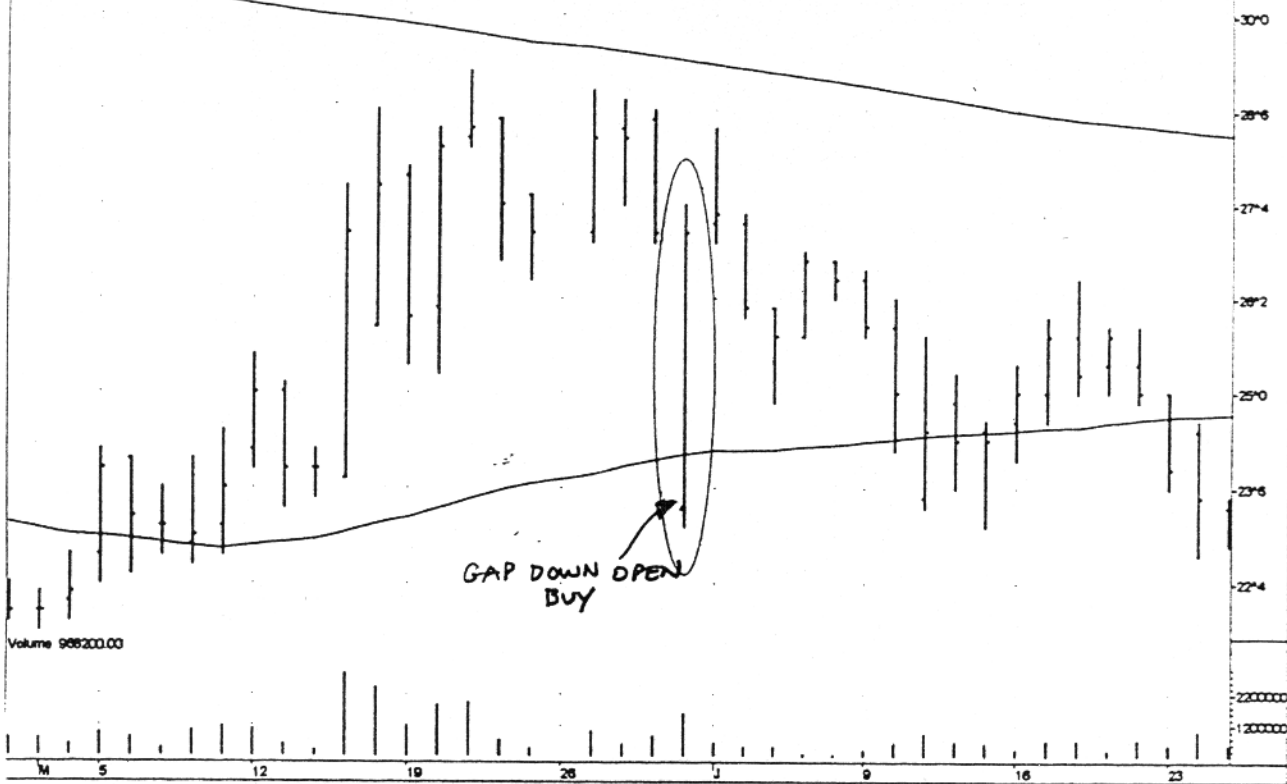
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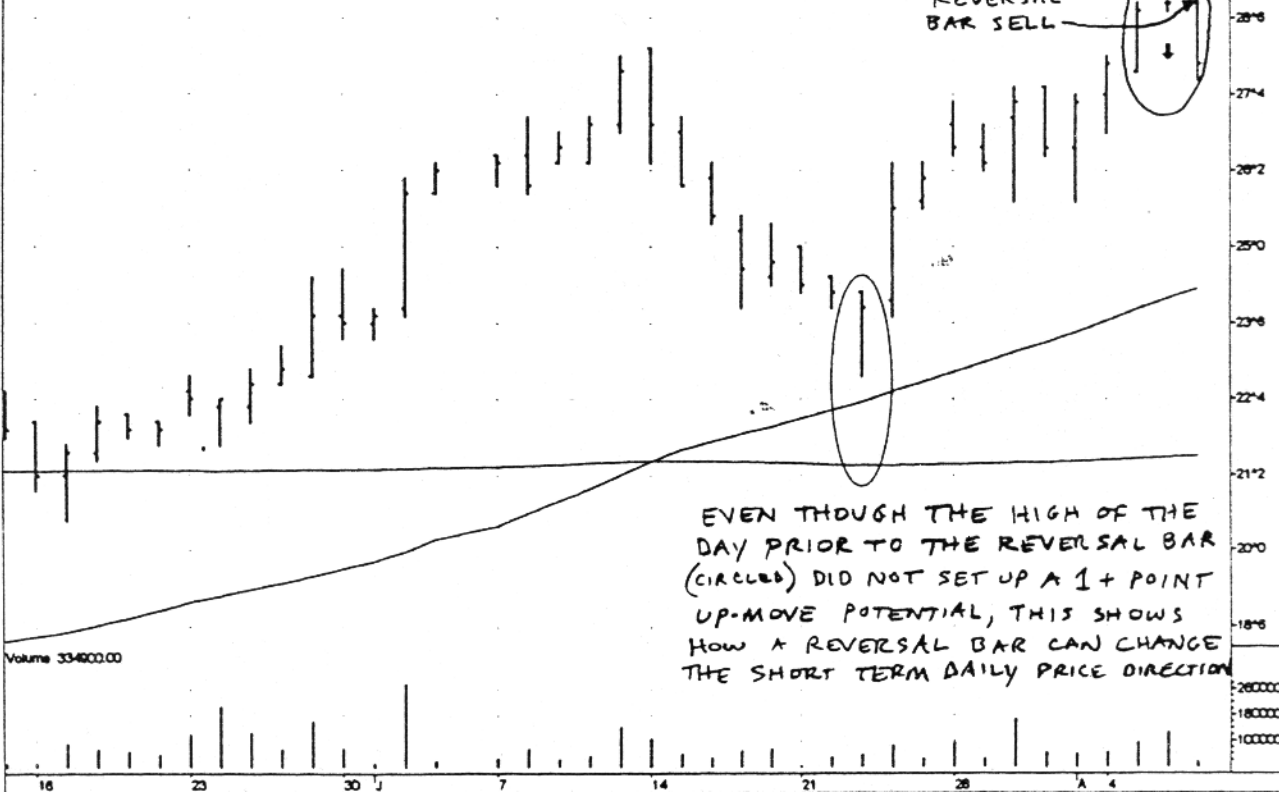


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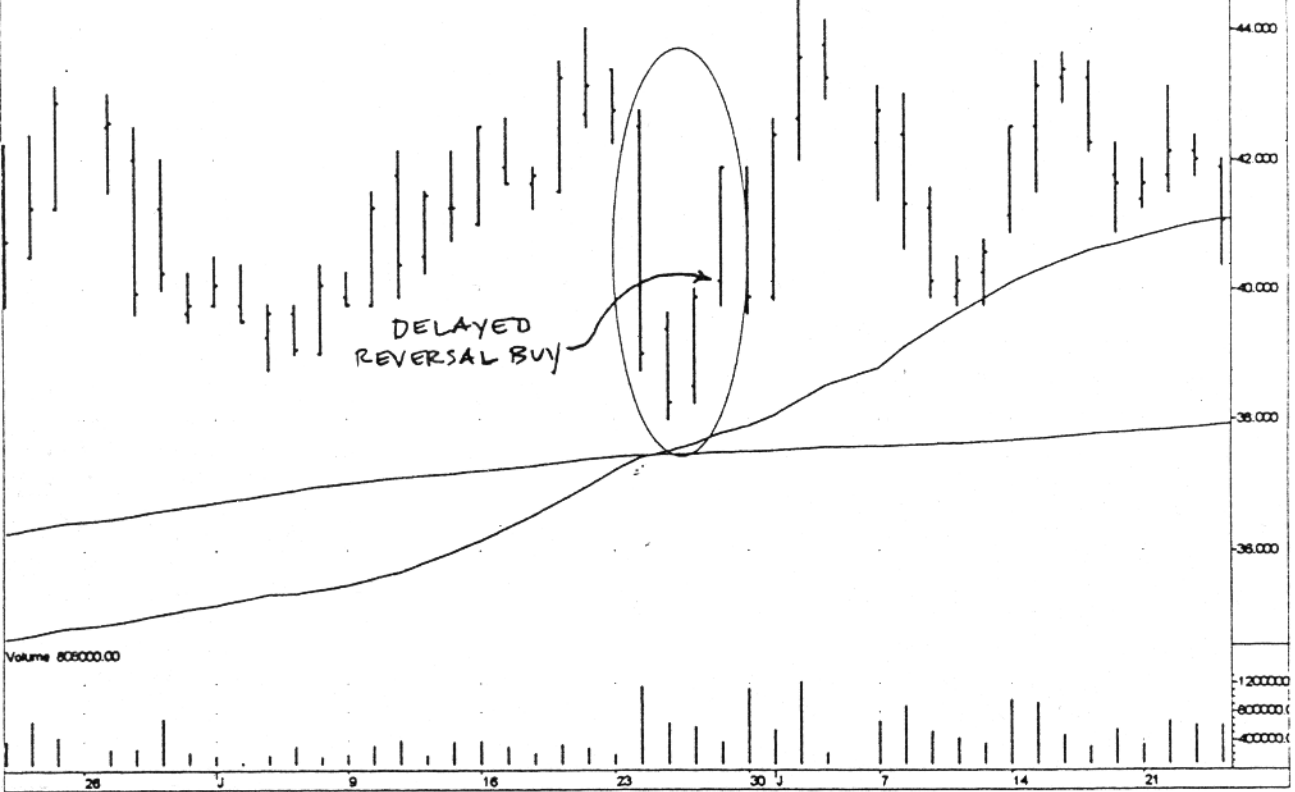
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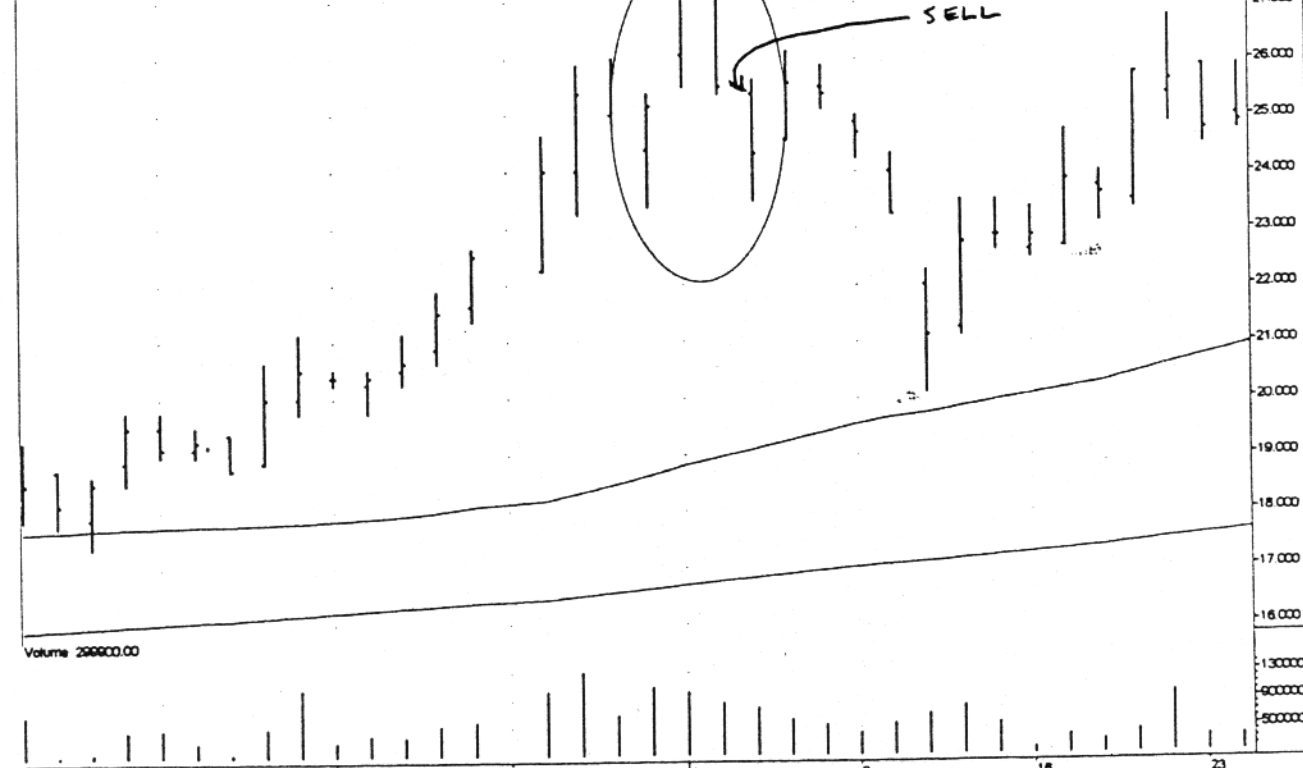
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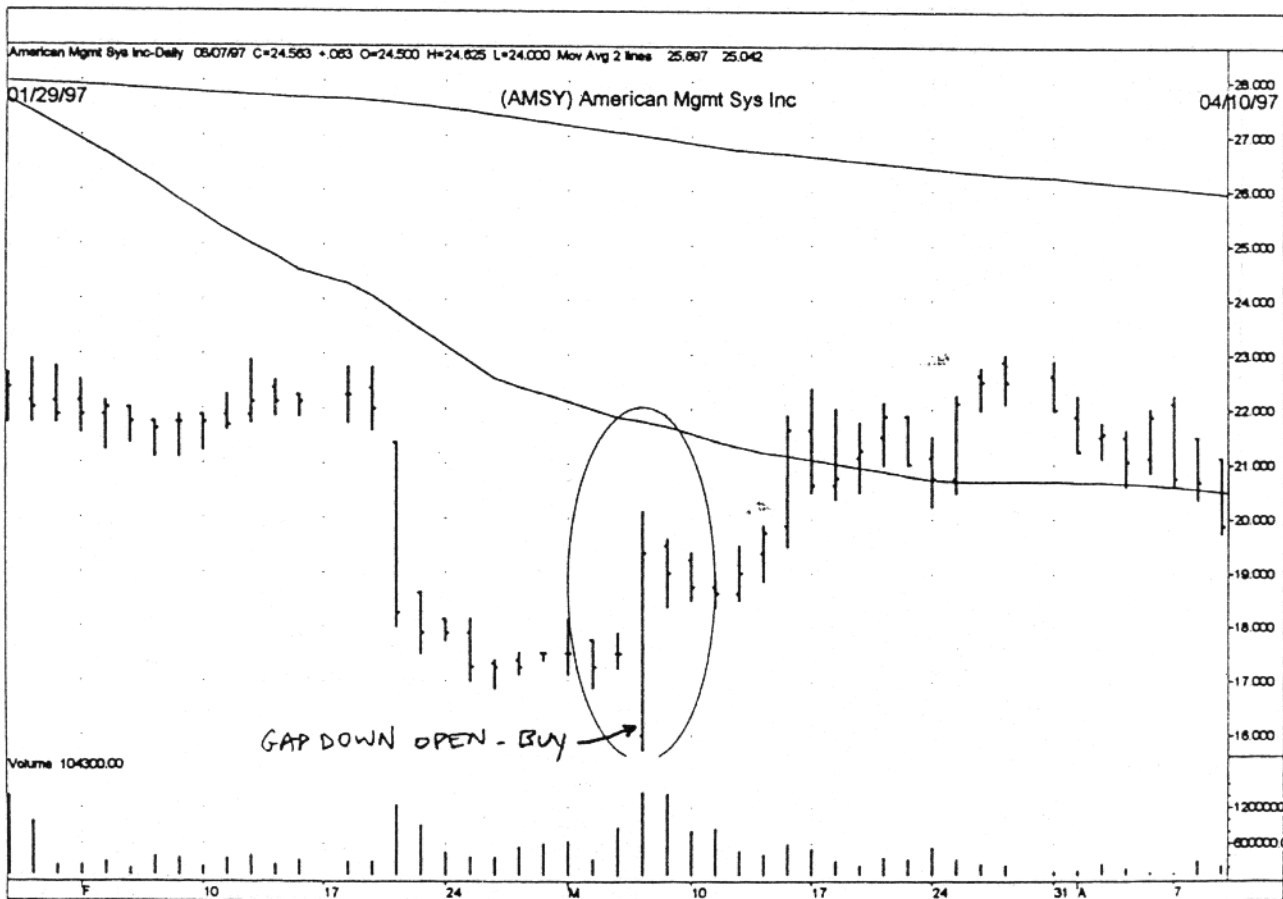
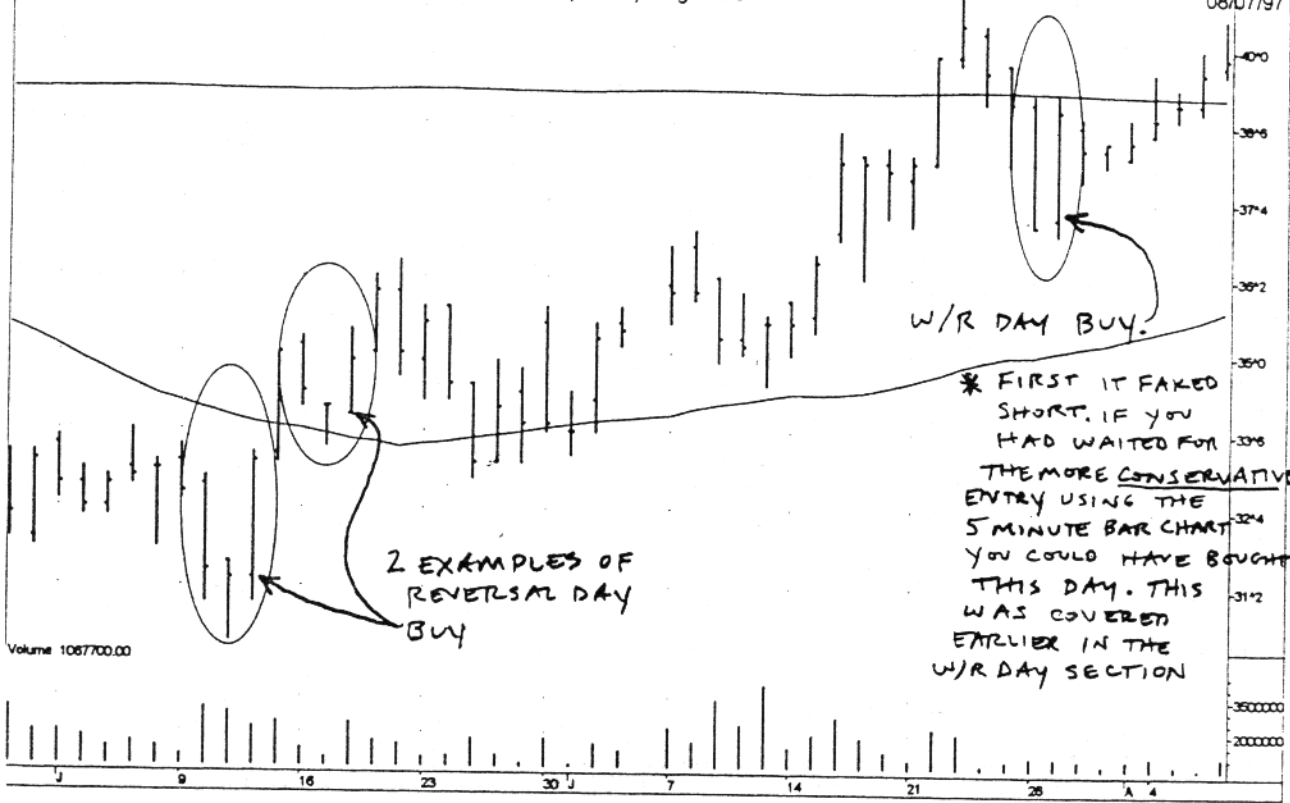
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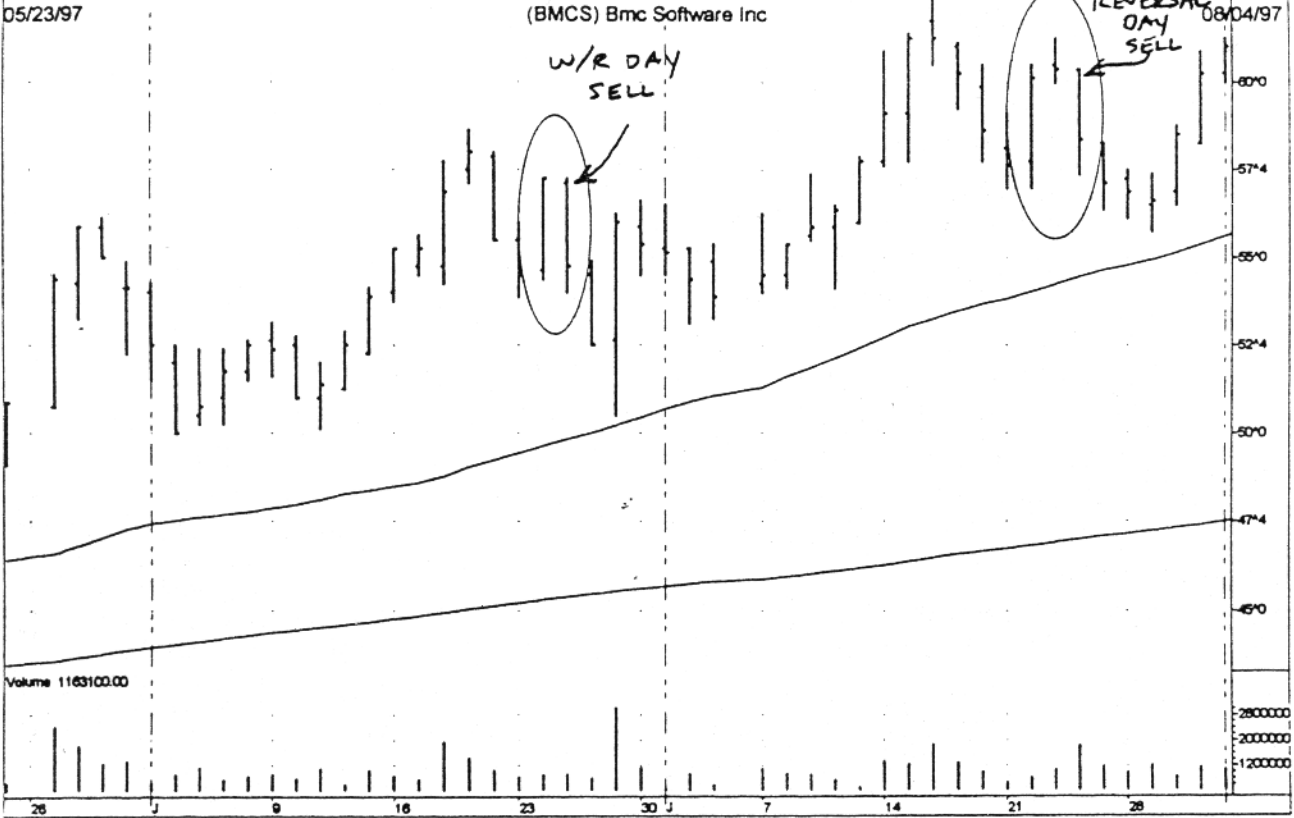
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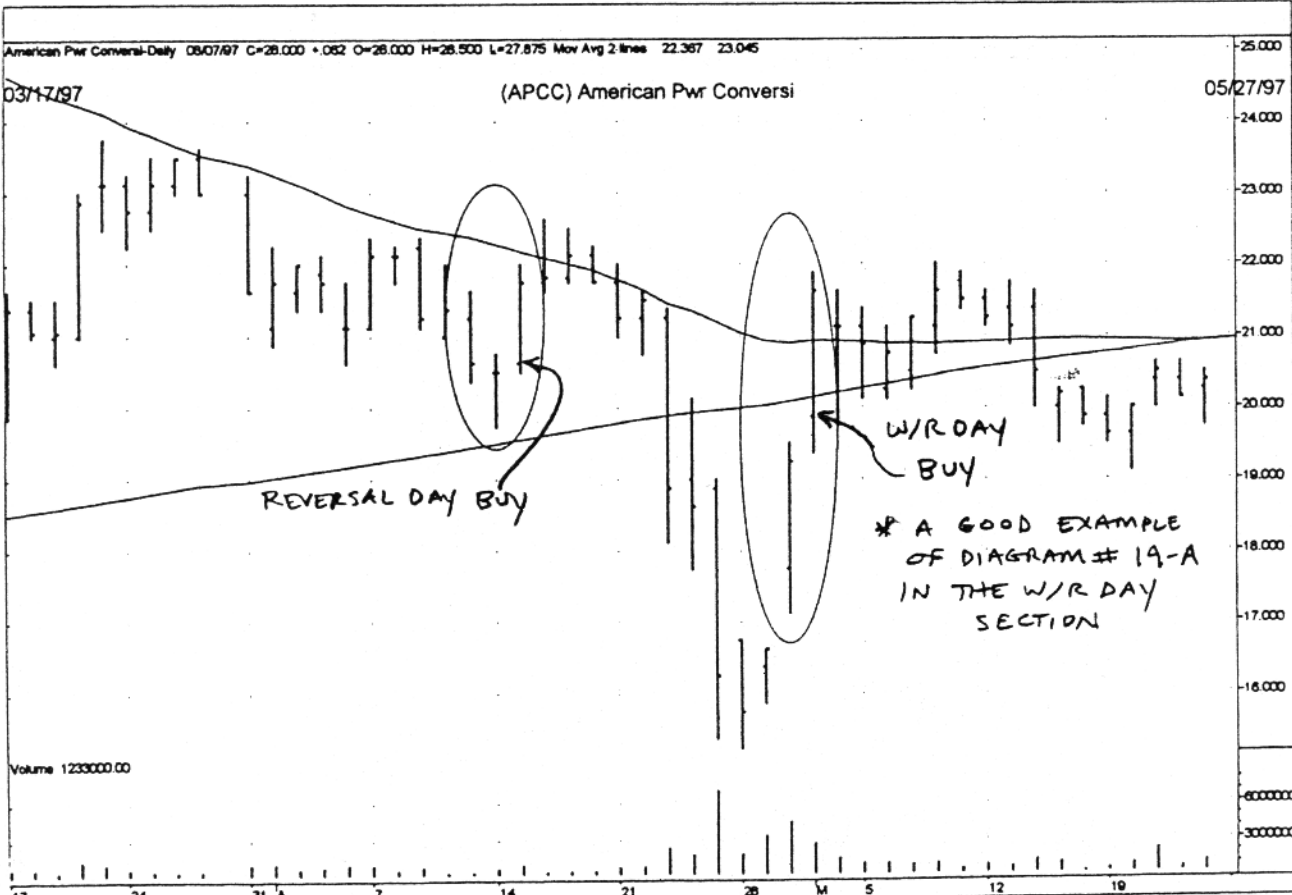
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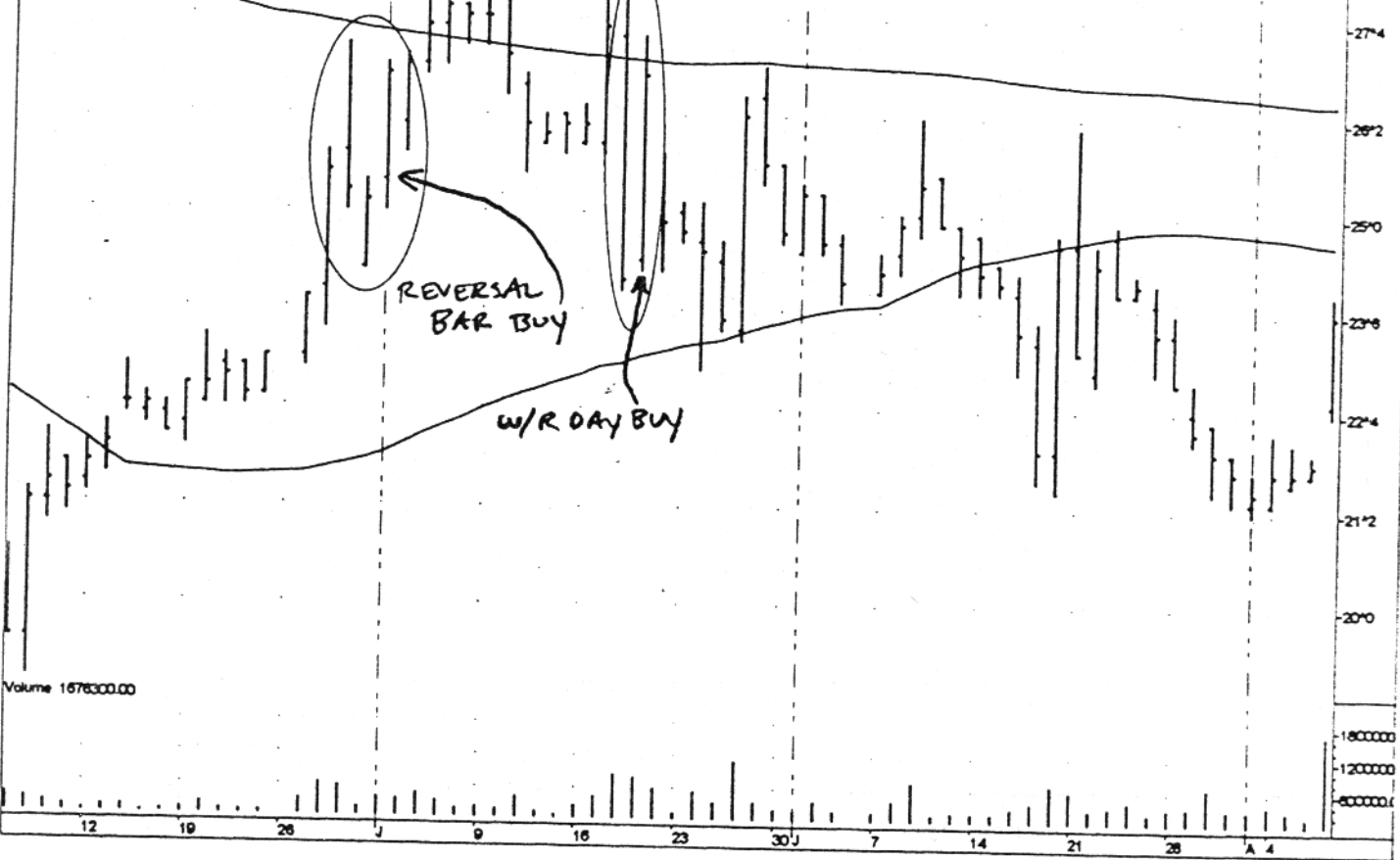
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LONGER TERM DAILY BAR PATTERNS

(for day trading)

INTRODUCTION:

Most of these price formations take more than just a few days to form up on the historical daily bar chart. They usually reflect price consolidation or a narrowing of daily price range. Many times these patterns will be followed by a day that breaks out strongly in one direction or the other. When you see one of these formations developing, catalog that stock in the back of your mind. If the day comes when price does make the breakout move, you'll be there for a potential day trade. Using intraday price patterns in conjunction with this longer time frame can increase your odds for a good trade entry. Trading in the direction of the stock's trend and the overall market trend (daily and intraday) enhances the success of these trades.

WEDGE

A wedge is a contraction in a stock's daily range. Each day will typically have a narrower range as it completes a shape that looks like a "wedge". This compression in price over the course of several days to a couple of weeks may be followed by a strong breakout day. A wedge will look similar to this:

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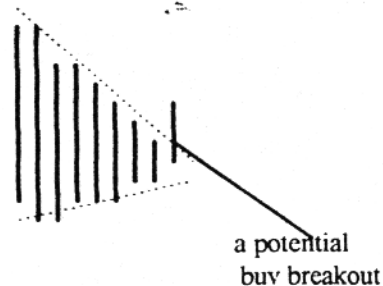
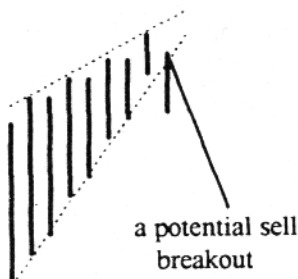
wide range bars followed by successively narrower days



be looking for a breakout as the bars begin getting very narrow and approach the apex of the wedge

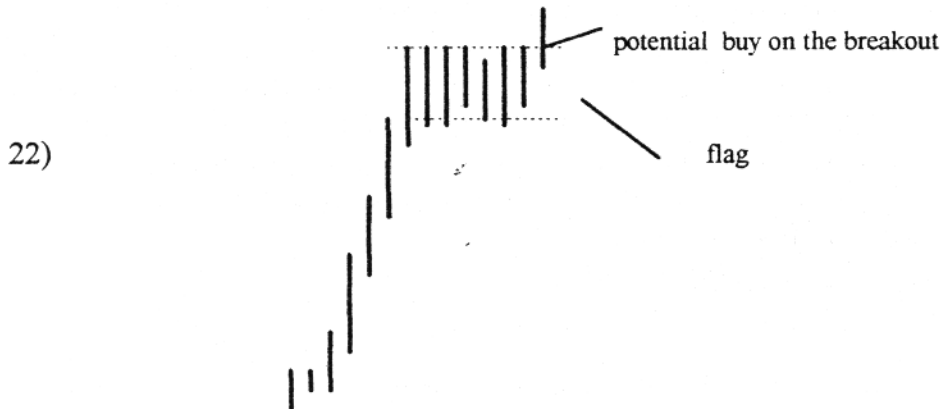
consider buying or selling the breakout of the dotted lines

A wedge does not have to be exactly symmetrical. It may be tilted to one side or the other. For example:



FLAG

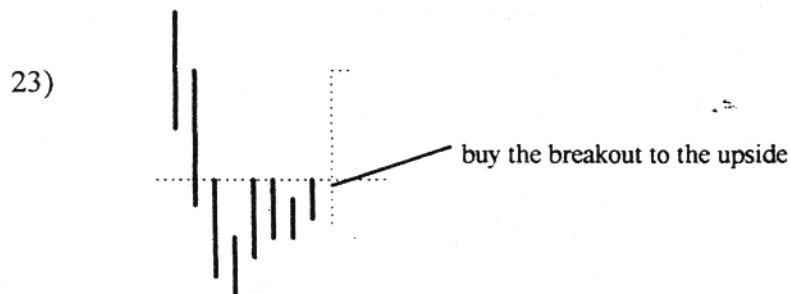
The flag is similar to the wedge in that it is a consolidation pattern. Usually a flag forms after a strong run up or down in a stock. After this strong movement which can last several days, the stock takes a breather and may tend to trade sideways. This is where a flag will often form on the daily chart. It should look something like this:



The flag will usually have a relatively tight formation and smaller daily trading ranges. Typically a strong breakout will occur in the direction of the earlier trend. This is especially important if the flag forms at or near a recent or long term high for the stock. The upper boundary of the flag serves as price resistance, and the lower boundary is support. A price breakout in either direction may be a good trade entry, especially when paired with analysis from the 1 to 3 day bar, and/or intraday trade setups(consolidation).

CONSOLIDATION OF DAILY HIGHS OR LOWS

If you have 3 - 5 + daily highs or lows clustered together at the same price (daily consolidation) then you have the potential for a breakout day trade. Here is how it might look for a buy setup:



Be ready for a breakout to the long side for a strong intraday run up in price. The inverse pattern works for the downside sell setup. These often make for some very strong day trade moves.

NEW HIGHS / LOWS

New highs and lows are important to watch for. This is signifying strength or weakness in a stock. The most significant are all time highs and 52 week highs or lows. If you find a stock that is trading very near one of these areas (especially if you have several daily bars of consolidation), be ready for a day that may break through and run. Also, shorter term (6 to 8 week) new highs or lows can provide a substantial day trade or swing trade (several day) opportunity. These stocks may be traded on the actual day of the breakout or on the following day(s). Again, look at the 1 to 3 bar and intraday setups to determine when and where to enter. The reason these work is that price is breaking through a significant and natural price support or resistance area. Other traders and fund managers also monitor and trade these longer term breakouts. This adds extra follow through and offers opportunities for day trading.

One variation on the new high or low setup tends to be an especially strong pattern. When a stock first breaks out to a new high of the past several months, sometimes it will pull back slightly and trade sideways from several days to a week or two. Often you will see a consolidation type of pattern as it is preparing to challenge the new high again. On the day the stock breaks out to penetrate the prior high, you will usually see very heavy buying come into the stock that may drive it up several points. If today appears to be the day of the breakout, rely on your daily and intraday setups to enter the trade.

SUMMARY:

The longer term daily chart patterns help you to recognize consolidation patterns that lead to good breakout day trades. Also recognizing when you are in sideways price congestion will keep you from trading a stock while it is choppy and less predictable. Don't use these setups to blindly fire off a trade. Rather, use them to alert you to monitor the stock for a price breakout and thus a high probability trade. At that point go to your 1 to 3 day and intraday analysis to time your entry. Trading with the trend in these instances increases your odds of success. Be aware of the overall market indexes; you'll want them on your side as well.

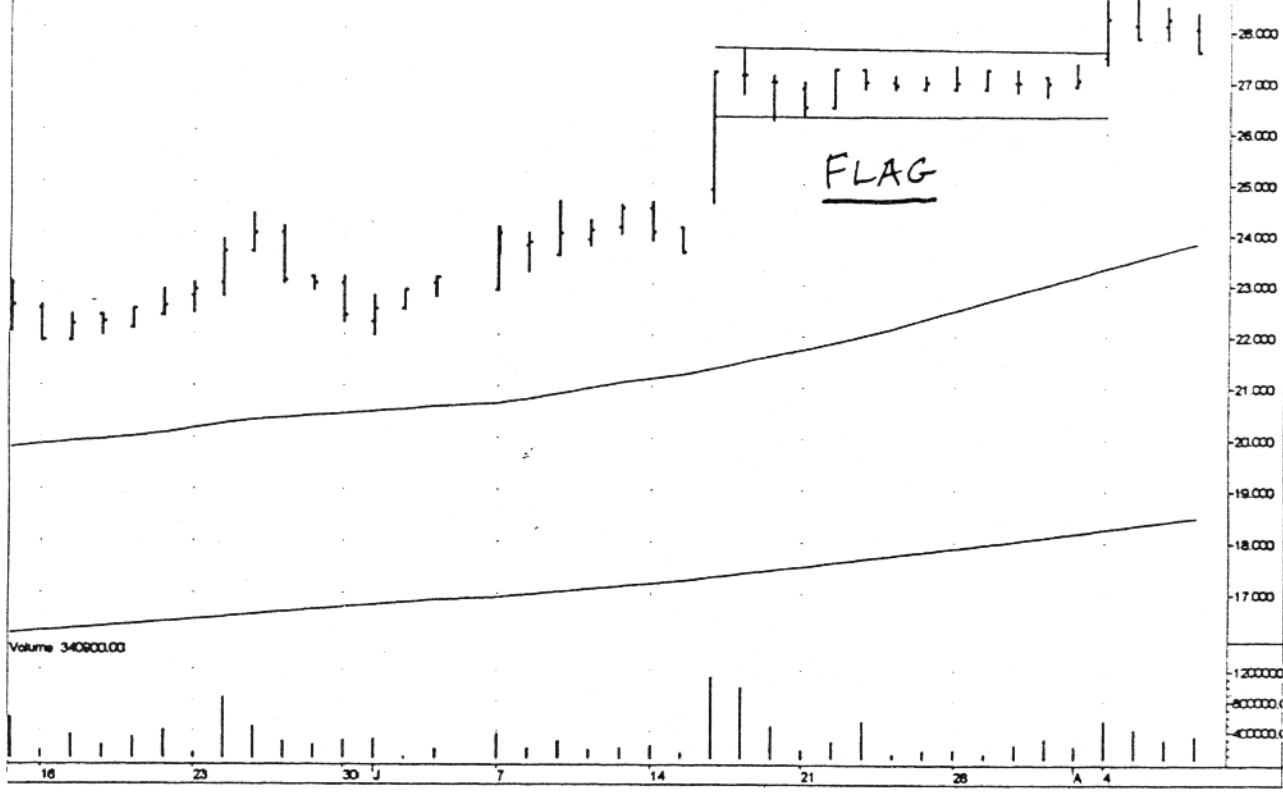
CONCLUSION:

You've seen how to recognize and anticipate high probability trading patterns in several time frames. Putting them all together only increases the odds of a successful trade. Trading with the stock's trend and with the market direction (both daily and intraday) only enhances your win rate. Time your entry with the momentum on the market maker screen, and enter the market at the price you want. But remember, it is better to miss a good trade than to get a poor fill and subsequently lose \$\$\$\$\$. There will always be another good trade setup, so wait for it and take only the best trades.

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08/07/97

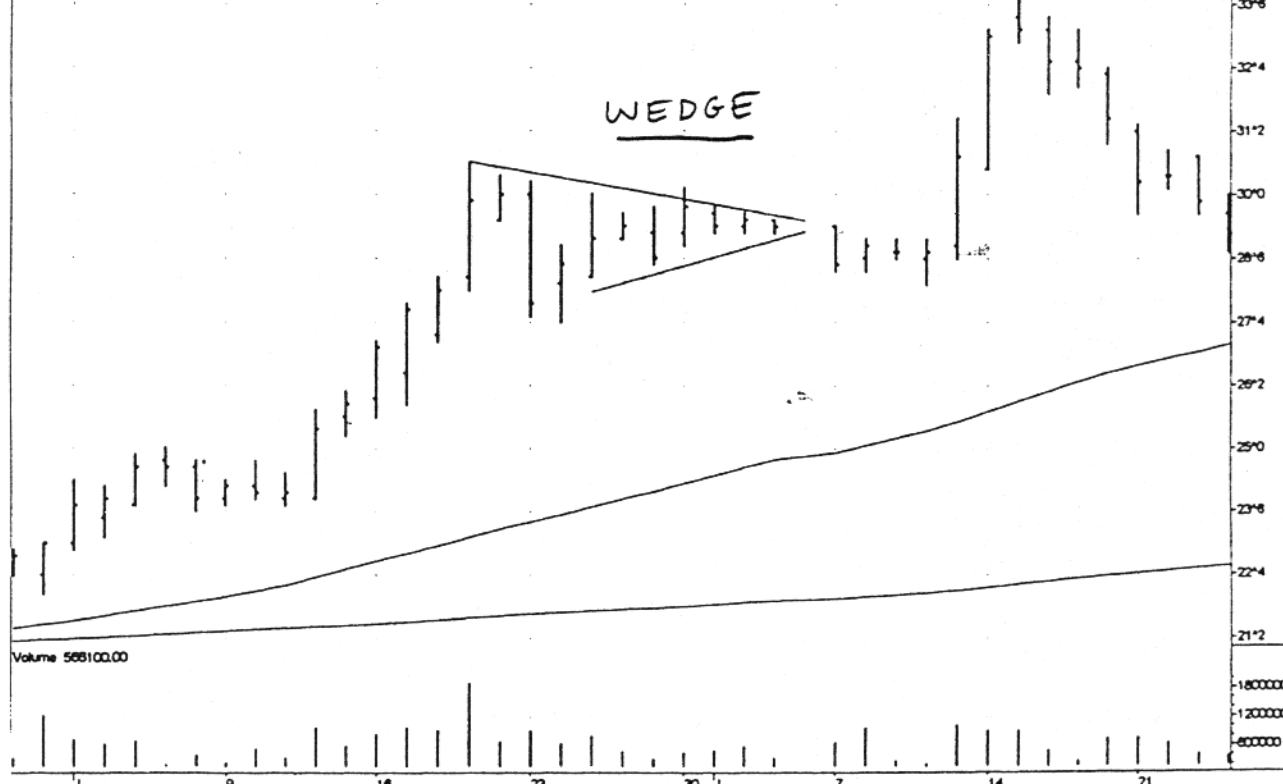


Volume 340800.00

05/29/97

(ECILF) Eci Telecom Ltd C I F

07/24/97



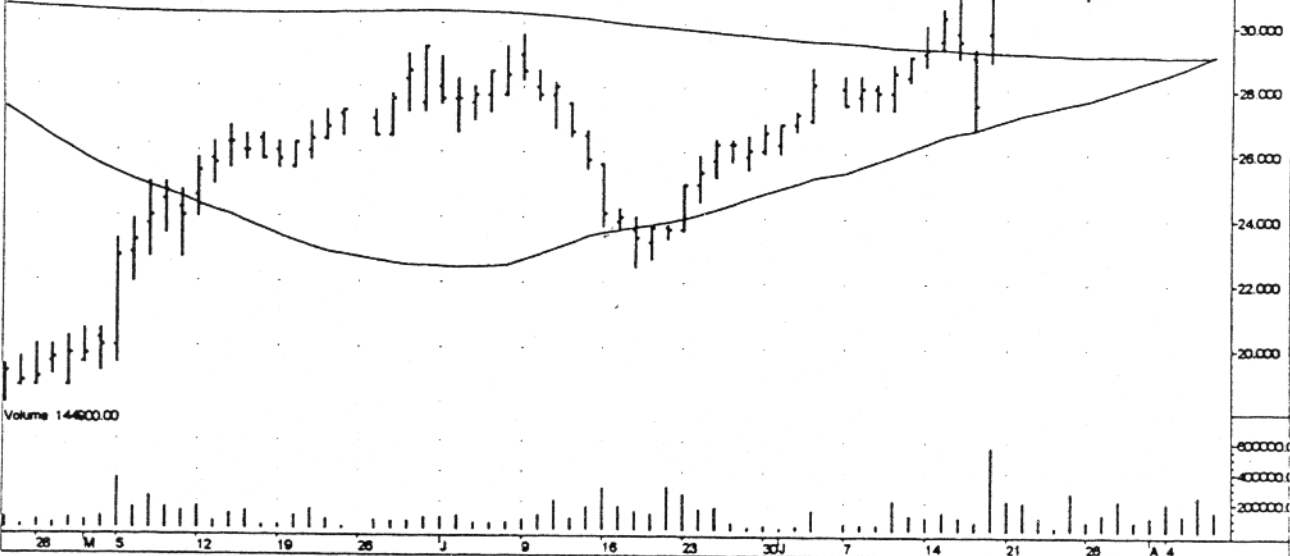
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04/24/97

(DLGC) Dialogic Corp

08/07/97

CONSOLIDATION OF DAILY HIGHS →

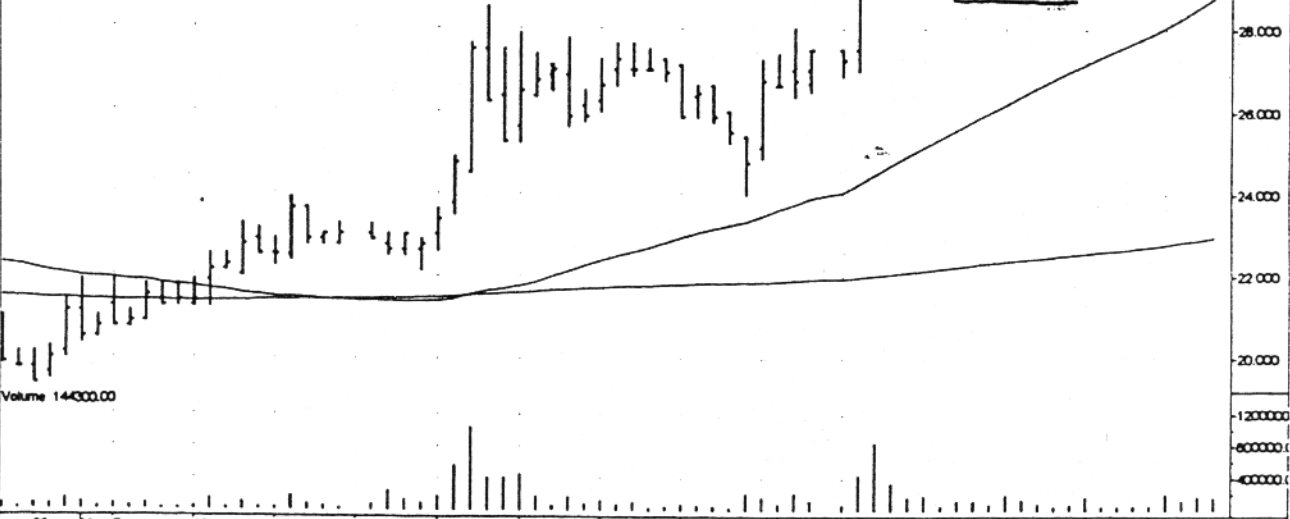


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(DANB) Dave & Busters Inc

08/07/97

FLAG



SUPPORT AND RESISTANCE

(S/R)

SUPPORT AND RESISTANCE

Know where the price support and resistance areas are on a chart. These are areas that have halted the movement of the stock in the past. The more times a particular price has stalled the stock's movement, the stronger that support or resistance area becomes. Price support lines can be drawn horizontally through lows on a bar chart where price tended to bounce up. Thus this price level is "supporting" the stock. Price resistance lines can be drawn horizontally through highs on a chart which the stock resists moving up through. Very often you will find that a support area which the stock penetrates to the downside will become a resistance area in the future. And likewise, a resistance area that a stock finally penetrates to the upside becomes a support area in the future.

The daily chart's support and resistance areas will help you better decide whether a trade setup is worth entering. If there is a lot of resistance just above where you would buy the stock, then you may want to pass up the trade. On the other hand, if a price resistance area is being broken or has recently been broken through to the upside, a buy trade setup has a better chance of success with the stock moving up further. Look for these areas on the daily and intraday charts to find the nearest upside resistance level up if you are buying or the next support level down if you are selling. If there is enough room for a 1+ point move, you have enhanced the odds for a successful day trade. Also, if the daily chart shows good support at a price level, and you have a "wide range bar w/extreme close" or a "reversal bar" setup long that held at a price support area, then this might present a strong buying opportunity. Remember not to impose your ideas on the market, but instead react to what it tells you with the daily and intraday setup patterns. The S/R levels will help you find the best trades to enter.

"Trading congestion" is something to stay away from. If a stock is not trending, has narrow range daily bars (from high to low), or is just chopping sideways, then avoid it. Wait until it breaks out of congestion and begins some good daily price swing activity. This is when you look for the trade setups to act upon. Also, look at the recent average range of a daily price bar (from high to low). If that stock doesn't trade over a point or more on a regular basis then you probably won't want to trade it. Look for the bigger profit opportunities with stocks that are currently in a "trader-friendly" mode.

You'll also notice that many times the 50 and 200 day moving averages act as price support and resistance. This is because many fund managers monitor these averages and use them in their buying and selling decisions. Being aware of where these lines are can aid your analysis. This is especially true if a stock has traded up or down to one of these averages at a point which also coincides with a price support or resistance level.

Support and resistance levels aid your decision making for day trades. They show how far a stock can be expected to move up or down on both an intraday and daily time frame. This is the final step (or filter) to confirm a potential trade, or to rule it out.

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(ACCS) Access Health Inc

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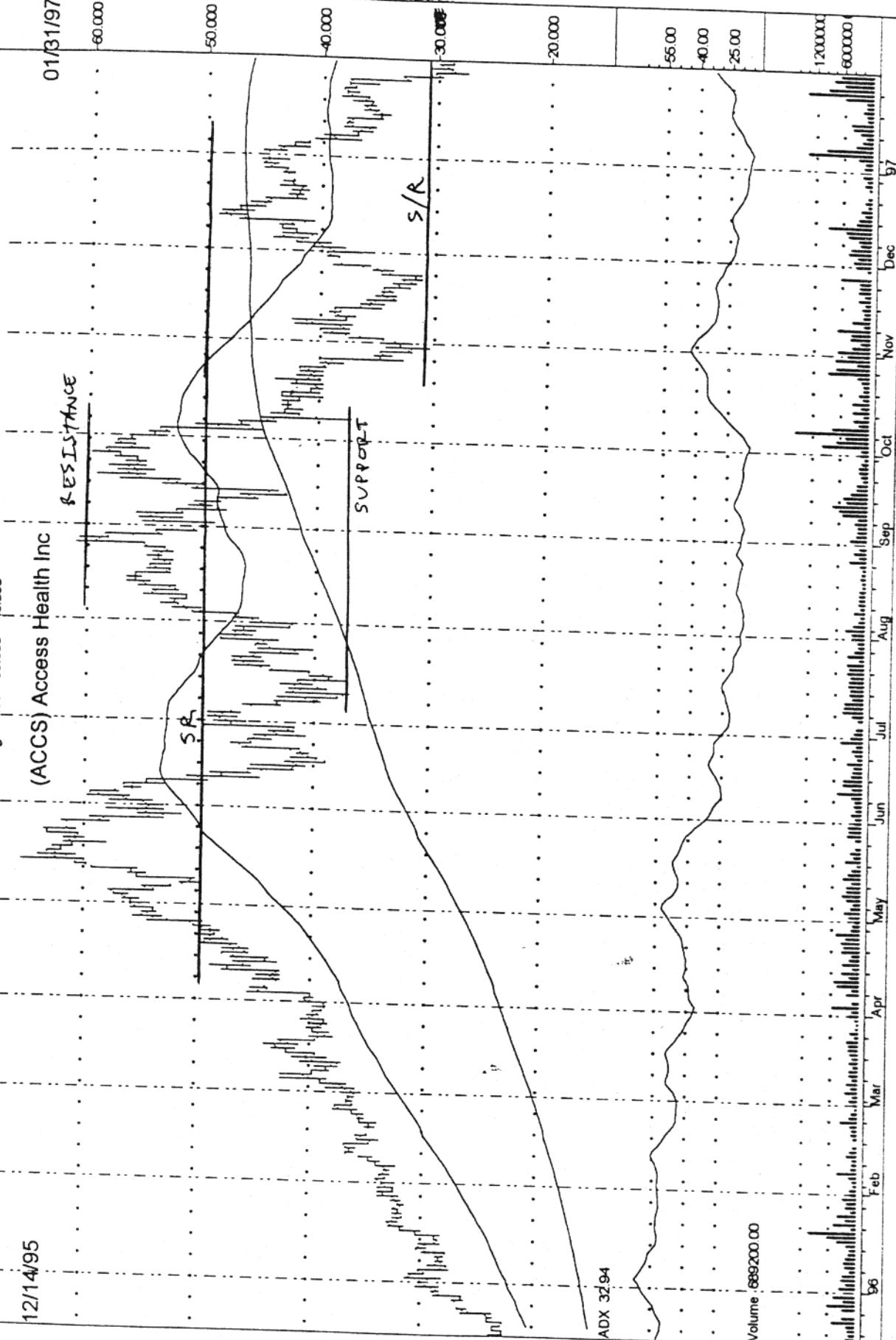
S/R

SUPPORT

S/R

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(ADAC) AdacLabs

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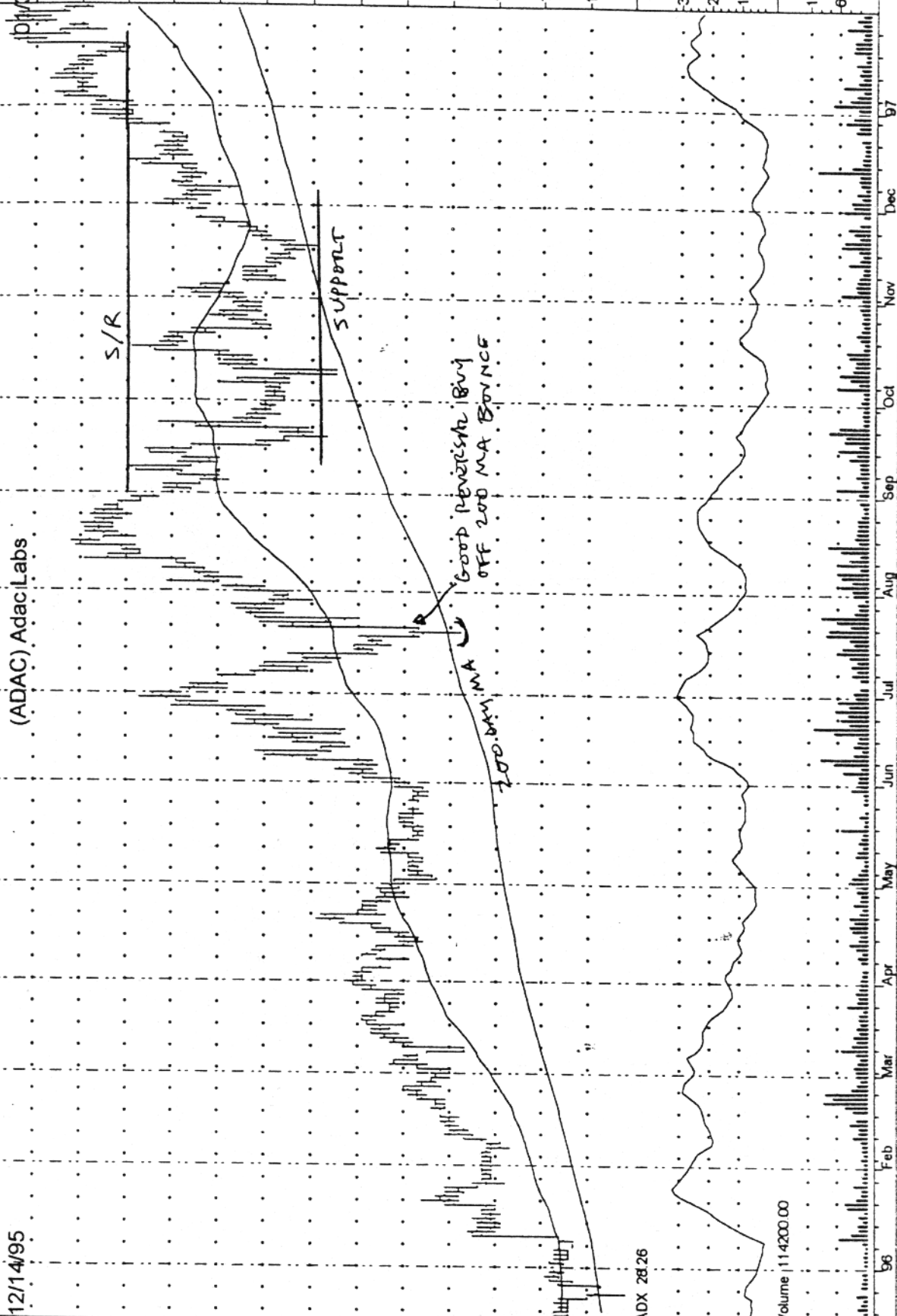
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ADX 28.26

Volume 114200.00

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Adobe Sys Inc-Daily 01/31/97 C=37.7 +.4 O=37.4 H=38.2 L=37.1 Mov Avg 2 lines 38.1 36.6

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(ADBE) Adobe Sys Inc

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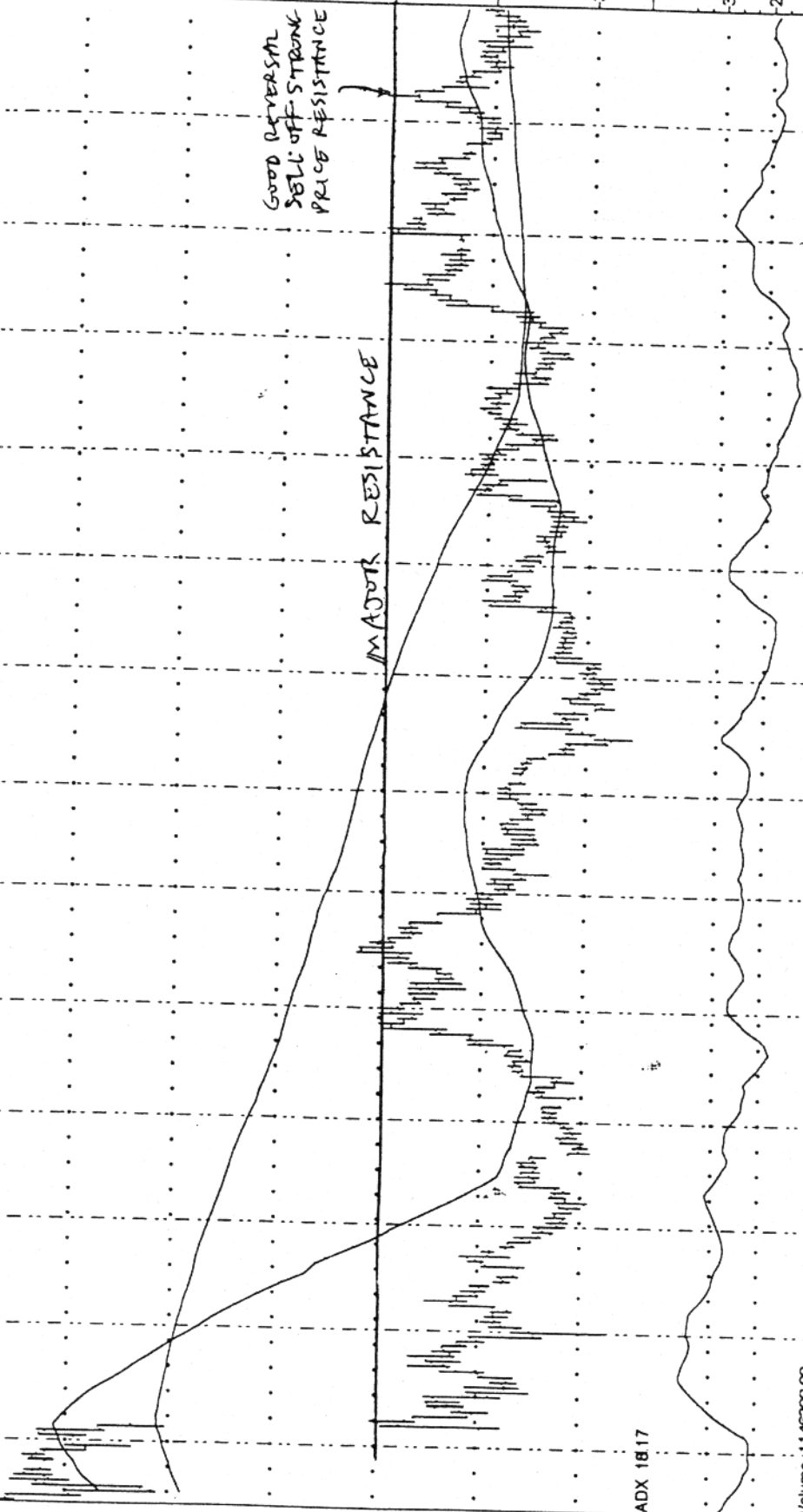
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GOOD REVERSAL
SELL OFF - STRONG
PRICE RESISTANCE

MAJOR RESISTANCE



ADX 18.17

Volume 1146300.00

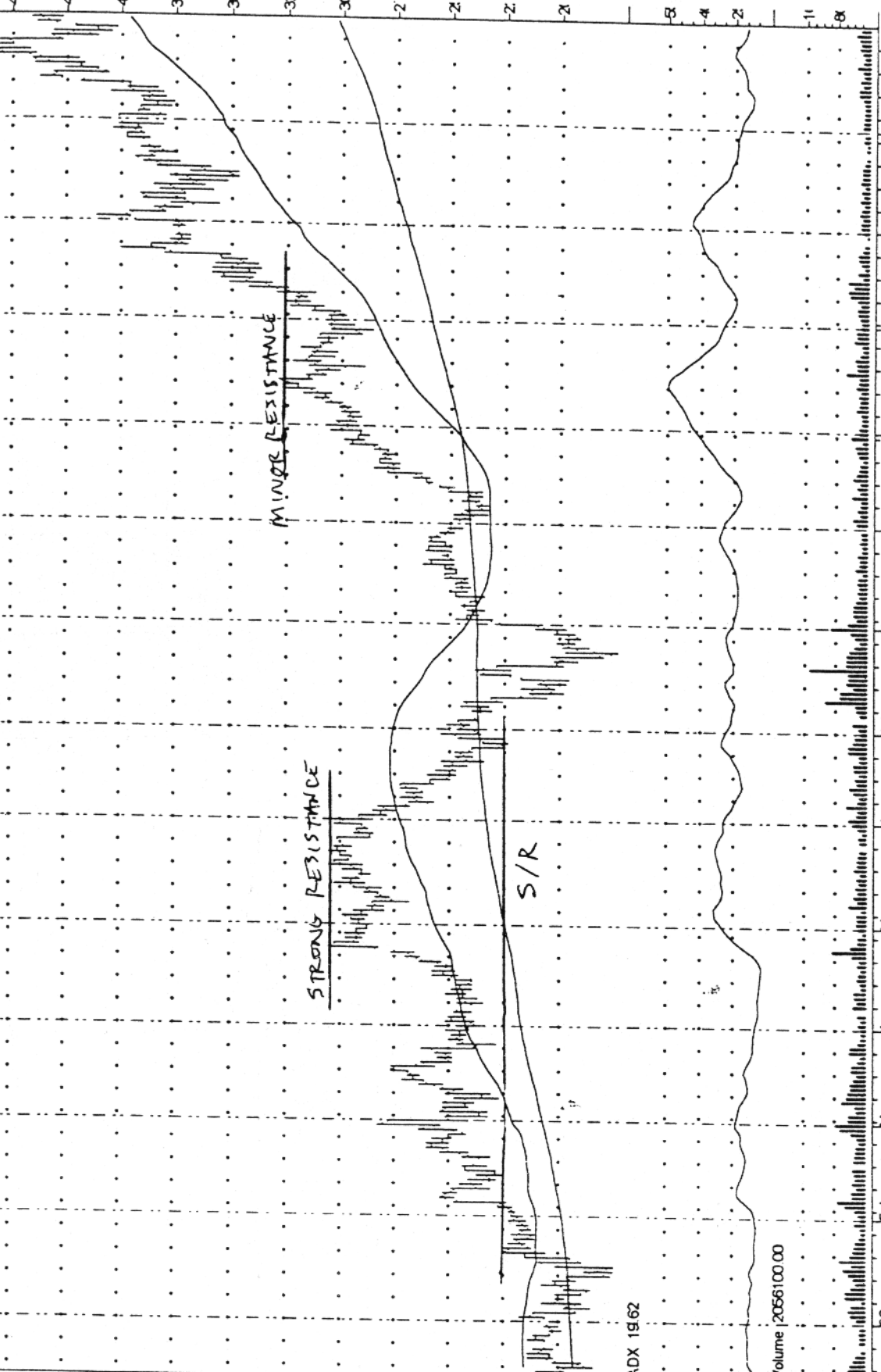
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(ADPT) Adaptec Inc

101/3



ADX 19.62

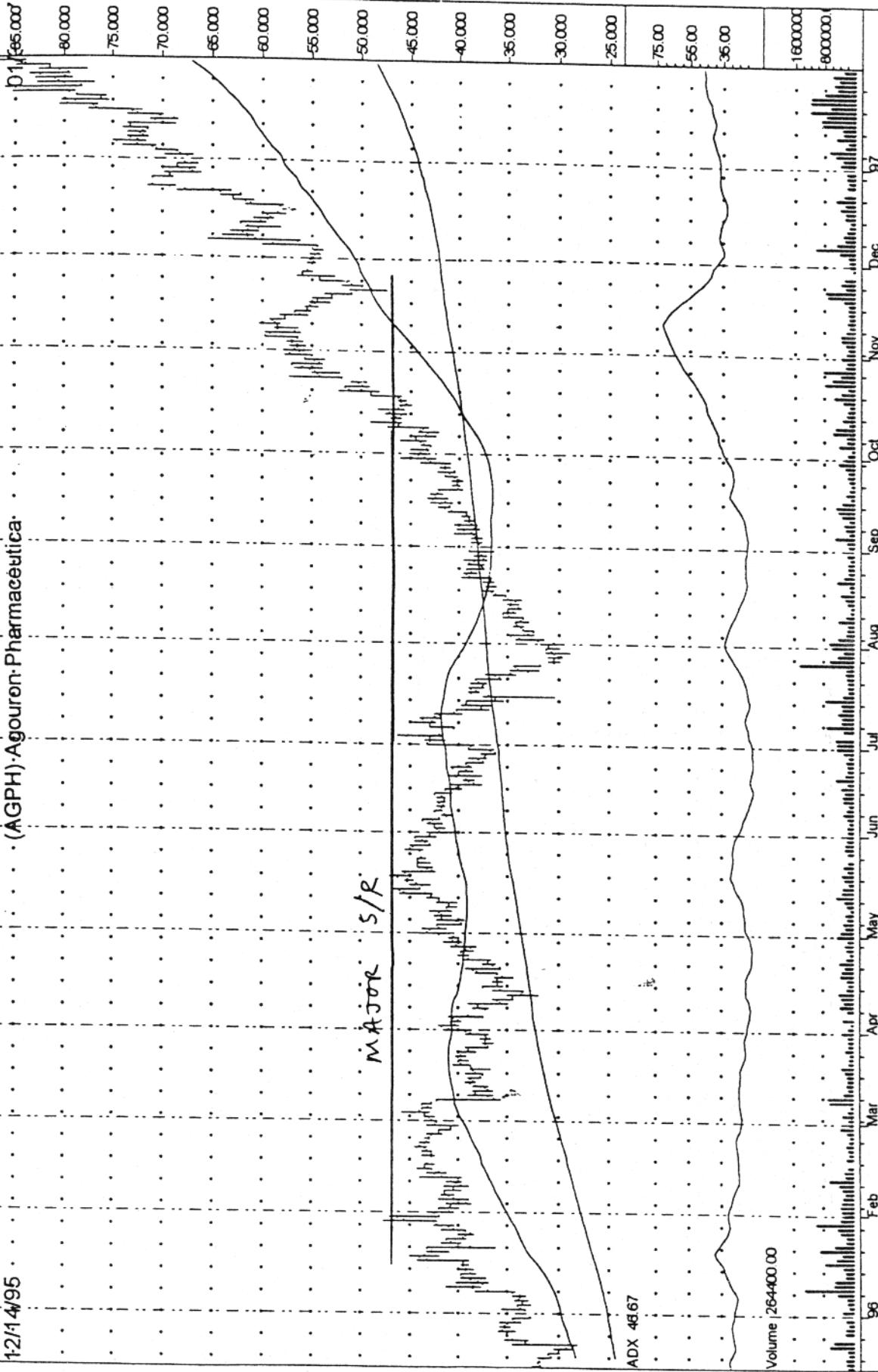
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(AGPH)-Agouron-Pharmaceutica



MAJOR S/R

ADX 48.67

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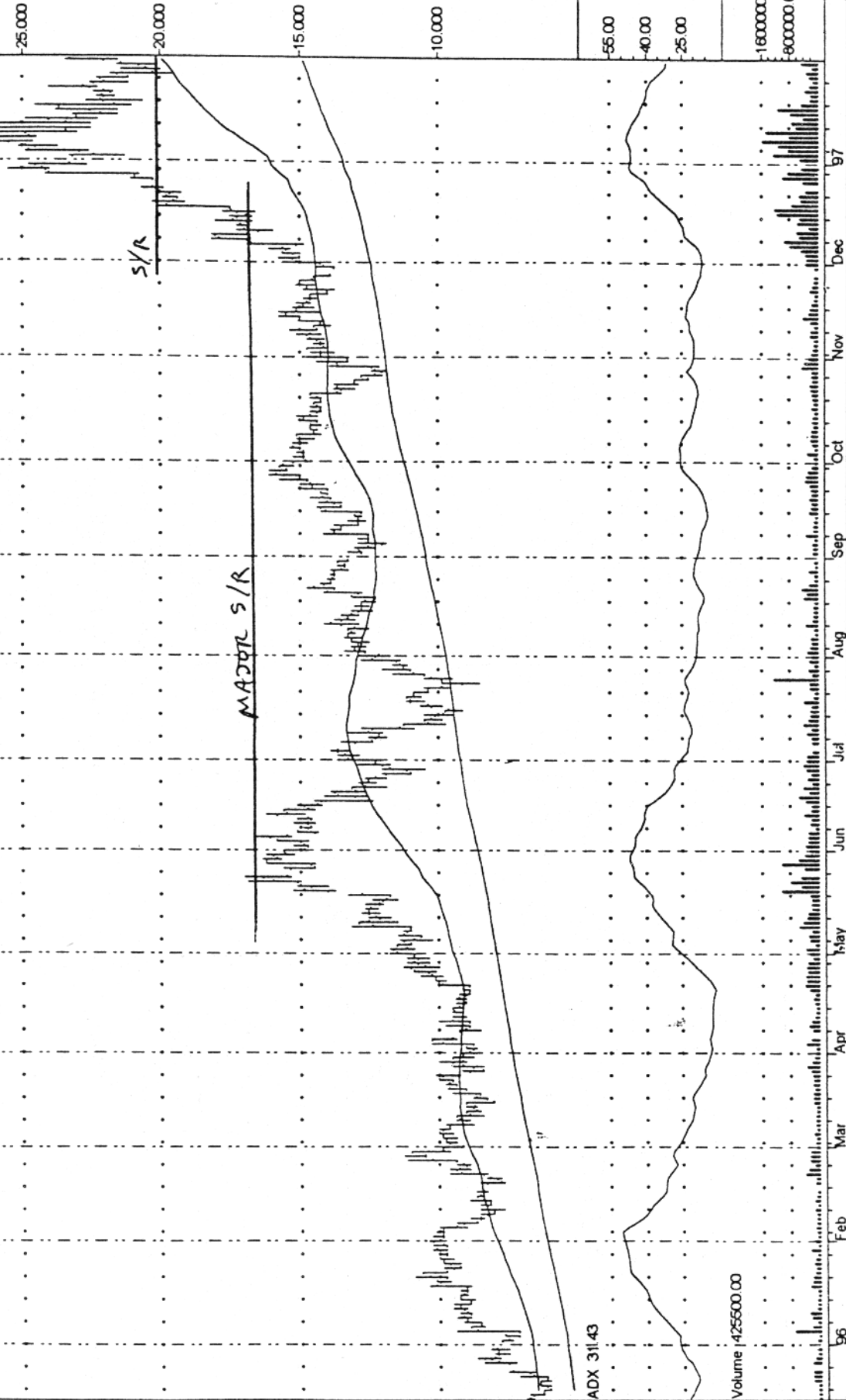
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Alkermes Inc-Daily 01/31/97 C=23.250 +1.875 O=22.000 H=23.375 L=21.500 Mov Avg 2 lines 19.910 14.874

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(ALKS) Alkermes Inc

01/31/97



ADX 31.43

Volume 1425500.00

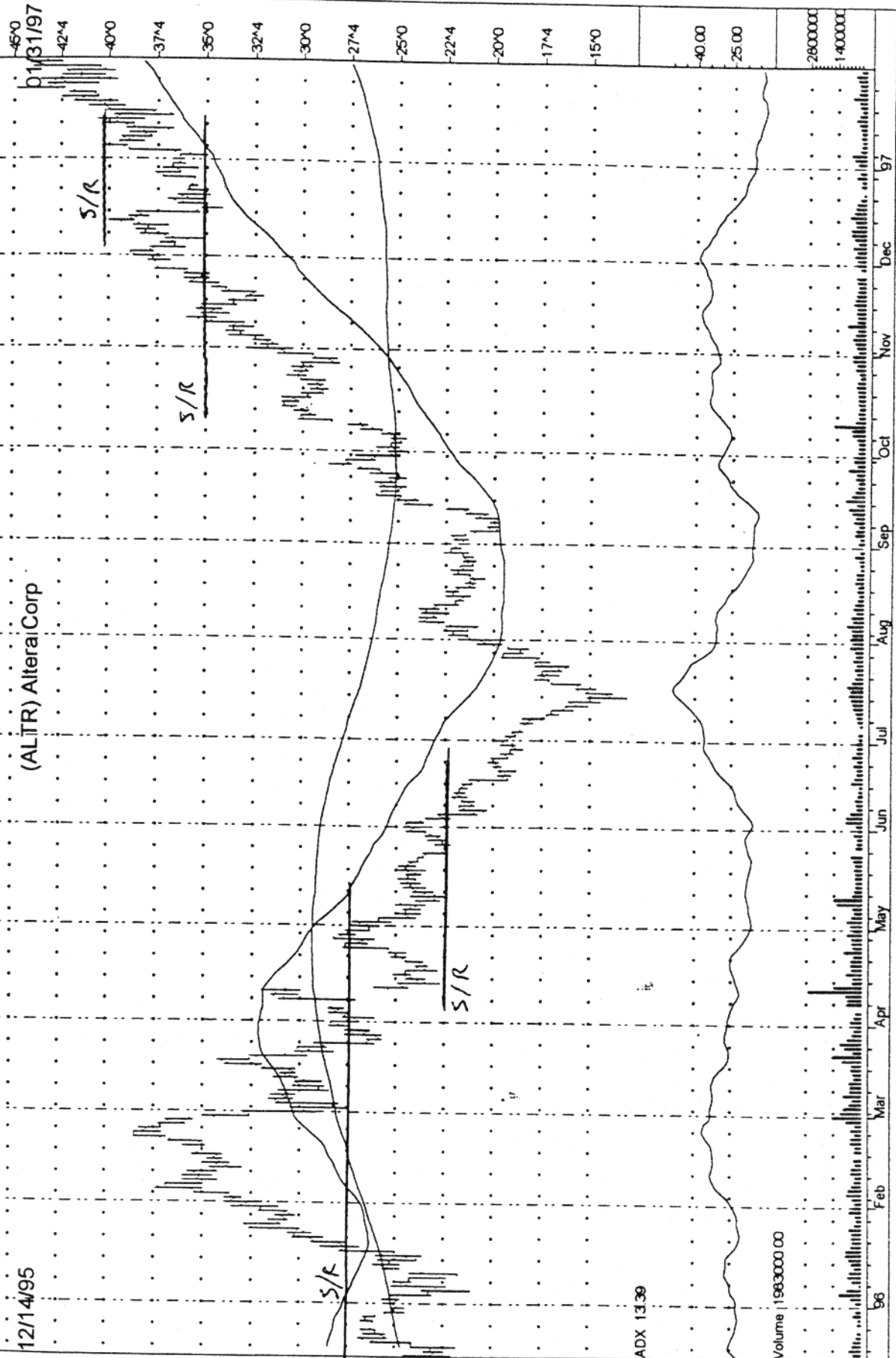
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12/14/95

(ALTR) Altera Corp



ADX 13.39

Volume 1983000.00

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Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec 97

Danka Business Sys Pl Adr-Daily 08/04/97 C=49°0' 2" O=50°1' H=50°5' L=47°7' Moy Avg 2 lines 41°2' 38°6'

10/31/96

(DANKY) Danka Business Sys Pl Adr

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-32°4

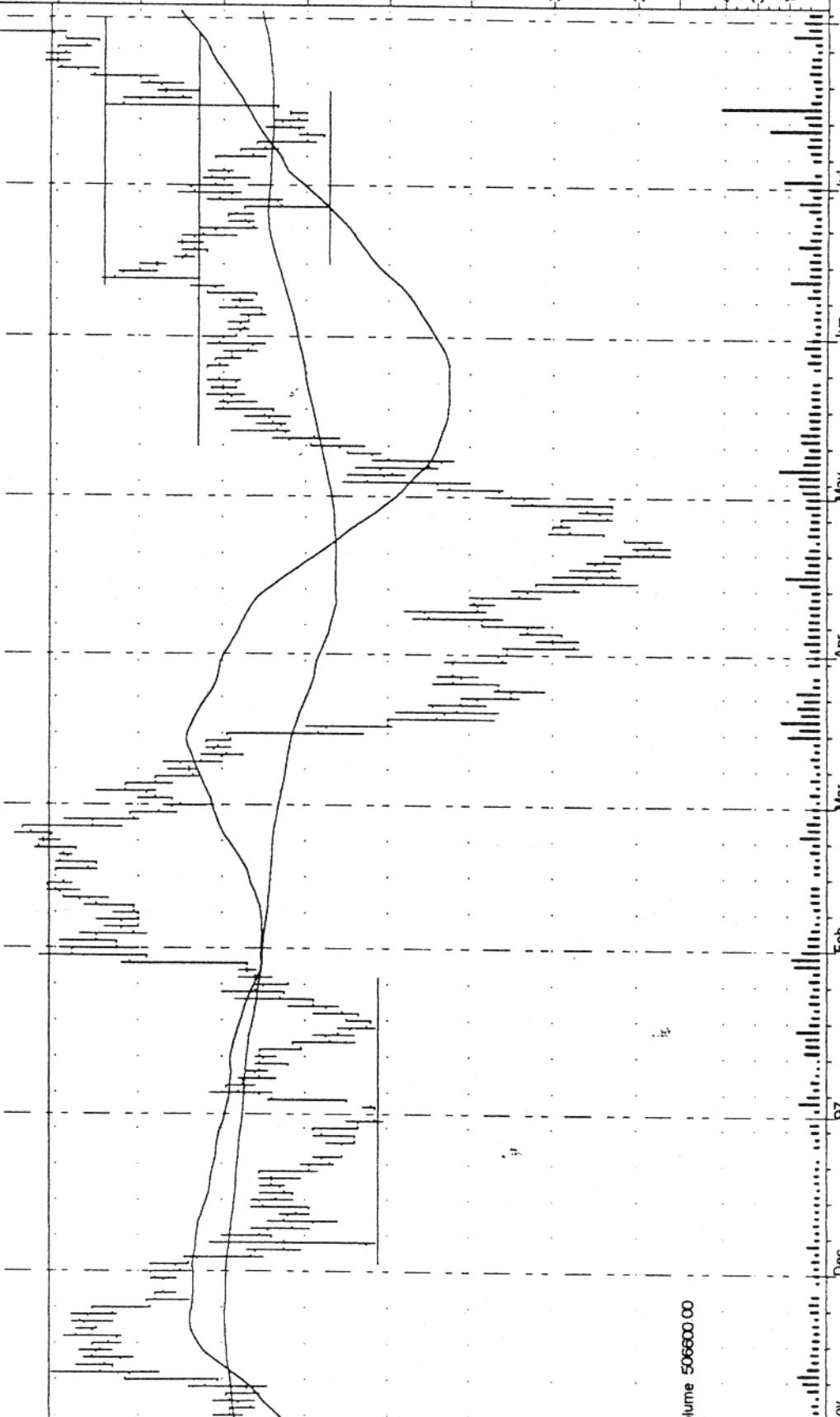
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MARKET MAKER

T.O.S.

AND

TICKER SCREENS

MARKET MAKER AND T.O.S. SCREENS

INTRODUCTION:

This section describes the “market maker” and “time of sale” (T.O.S.) screens as well as the stock “ticker” screen. The market maker screen will help with 2 things:

- 1) To determine which stocks you are willing to trade, and therefore which stocks you want as part of the ticker of stocks that you follow
- 2) To aid in timing the best moment for entering and exiting trades that are described in the 5 minute and daily bar chart setups.

The time of sale (T.O.S.) screen is used in conjunction with the market maker screen for timing trade entry and exit.

The “ticker” is the screen loaded with the stocks you have chosen to follow. This is the screen that immediately shows if a market maker has changed his bid up or down for one of your stocks as well as when the inside bid or offer has changed and whether it was up or down in price.

You will have your market maker, T.O.S., daily chart and 5 minute chart screens all linked together so that when you type in a stock symbol, all of this information for that particular stock immediately pops up on your computer monitor. By watching the ticker scroll along, you are immediately alerted to a stock’s uptick or downtick (usually color coded) and can then quickly type in the stock symbol to access the market maker, T.O.S, daily and 5 minute bar information. These are the 4 screens that are used in conjunction to find the price pattern setups and to time your trade entry and exits.

MARKET MAKER SCREEN

This screen shows you the current “inside” bid and offer (or ask) price for a stock. It also shows you how many market makers are bidding and offering at each price level. You will see the other bid/offer price levels as well. The difference between the bid and ask price is known as the “spread”. You will be looking for stocks that regularly have 1/8 spreads. Some 1/4 spread stocks may also be tradable. Also, you want the number of market makers at each price level to typically be 4 or more. The more “depth” per price level, the safer that stock is to trade. Avoid stocks with 1 - 3 market makers per price level. These thin price levels can quickly cost you much more than a 1/4 loss if you are wrong about the trade.

*** Before entering a stock long or short ask yourself this question: "If the market immediately reverses against me when I enter the trade, what is my probable exit price?"**

This means if you buy the inside ask on a stock to go long, look at the price and depth on the bid side to determine where you are likely to get filled if you have to exit the trade right away. If it is for more than 1/4 point (or in some cases 3/8) loss, then pass up that trade setup. Another one will come along later. Each stock has its own personality with how the market maker screen moves.

T.O.S. SCREEN

This screen shows actual trades, the time, the # of shares and the price. If you have a trade pattern setup, look at the T.O.S. screen flow of orders to see if they are being filled at the bid or at the ask. If you are set up for a trade to the long side, look for trades coming through at the inside ask price of the market maker screen to help you time your entry. Also, the inside price level of market makers will start to move up. This is especially true if you see 1000 lot trades coming through the T.O.S. screen. These are other computer day traders that are buying the stock and help assist the momentum into the upside move. The reverse scenario is true of a downside move.

Together the market maker and time of sale screens are fundamental to help you time your entries and exits for the best trade setups. Only actual experience will enable you to hone this ability. This is why "paper trading" is very important initially. But remember, the actual timing is learned when you begin "live" trading. This is why I recommend using only 500 share trades when you first start with real money. 500 shares cuts your "tuition" in half as you first learn the typical fill time and price for each stock under varying market circumstances. "Live" trading is very different from paper trading when it comes to actual entries and exits (and actual dollars won or lost).

Have the "big 4": the market maker, T.O.S., daily, and 5 minute screens viewed together on your computer monitor for each stock that you type into your keyboard. This will provide all of the information needed to execute and manage the best trades.

TICKER

This is the screen which contains your collection of stocks that scroll through with any bid or ask adjustments up or down by a market maker. It also shows when the inside bid or ask has changed. As mentioned earlier, your group of stocks are chosen based on several factors. Look for average volume of at least 100,000 shares per day. These stocks should have only 1/8 point (and occasionally 1/4) bid/ask spreads on the market maker screen. In addition, the market maker screen should typically have an average of at least 4+ market makers per price level. Also, consider the daily and 5 minute charts to see if the stock

provides the daily and intraday price setups from this manual which regularly follow through with the setup's trade expectations. Look for stocks that often show good daily price range or movement on a regular basis. This means setups with an opportunity of a 1+ point move during the day.

Your ticker may contain as many stocks as you can reasonably follow. That may mean 60, 150, or 200+ stocks. Be aware that each stock does have its own price movement and market maker/T.O.S. screen personality. Be aware that each stock tends to cycle in and out of a "trader-friendly" mode. You can always add or delete stocks from your ticker to keep it updated.

SUMMARY

Tying together the daily and intraday price pattern setups with the learned timing of the market maker and T.O.S. screens are essential to your success. Leave one component out and you reduce your odds for even the best price pattern setups. Only through experience with your universe of stocks will you improve your bottom line. This is the art to trading.

CONCLUSION

Now that you have the price pattern setups paired with the timing principles in this section, you possess the fundamentals for day trading. The next few pages show market maker screens for both "good" stocks as well as higher risk stocks. These examples are labeled to help you get a better understanding of the basic elements that you are looking for in a tradable stock.

COST CURRENTLY HAS A $\frac{1}{4}$ BID/ASK SPREAD
 $37 \frac{5}{8}$ BY $37 \frac{1}{4}$



T.D.S. SCREEN

COST		37 11/16	+5/8	down	VI 2222800	
Hi	Lo	37 3/8	Ask	37 11/16	HstCl	37 1/16
Bid	↓	37 5/8	Ask	37 11/16	HstCl	37 1/16
O DLIP	37 5/8	INSIDE	10	O GSCO	37 11/16	INSIDE 10
O INCA	37 5/8	BID	1	O INCA	37 11/16	ASK 50
O SHWD	37 9/16		10	O MICO	37 3/4	10
O LEGG	37 1/2		10	O HRZG	37 3/4	10
O PWJC	37 1/2		10	O NITE	37 3/4	4
O WBLR	37 1/2		10	O WEED	37 13/16	10
O NFSC	37 1/2		5	O SALB	37 7/8	10
O DEAN	37 1/2		10	O FBCO	37 7/8	10
O TSCO	37 1/2		10	O CHGO	37 7/8	10
O OPCO	37 1/2		10	O ABSB	37 7/8	10
O RAGN	37 1/2		10	O MSCO	37 7/8	10
O HRZG	37 1/2		10	O DAIN	37 7/8	10
O NITE	37 1/2		10	O SELZ	37 7/8	10
O SALB	37 3/8		10	O BEST	37 7/8	10
O FBCO	37 3/8		10	O JEFF	37 7/8	10
O ABSB	37 3/8		10	O PWJC	37 7/8	10
O MSCO	37 3/8		10	O SHWD	37 7/8	10
O PRUS	37 3/8		10	O MASH	37 7/8	10
O DAIN	37 3/8		10	O PIPR	37 7/8	10
O SELZ	37 3/8		10	O SWCO	37 7/8	10
O BEST	37 3/8		10	O MADF	37 7/8	3
O JEFF	37 3/8		10	O OLDE	38	10
O PACS	37 3/8		10	O UBSS	38	10
O PERT	37 3/8		10	O DMGL	38	10

COST	37 11/16	+5/8	down	VI	2222800
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13:33	37 11/16	1400			
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TYPICALLY
 GOOD "DEPTH"
 TO PRICE LEVELS

$\frac{1}{8}$ DIFFERENCE
 BETWEEN PRICE
 LEVELS

TIME PRICE # OF SHARES
 ACTUAL TRADES

IF YOU HAD A BUY SETUP, YOU WOULD LIKELY GET FILLED
 AT $37 \frac{1}{16}$ OR $37 \frac{3}{4}$. IF THE TRADE IMMEDIATELY WENT
 AGAINST YOU, YOU WOULD PROBABLY NOT GET FILLED ON YOUR
 SELL AT $37 \frac{5}{8}$ OR $37 \frac{9}{16}$. YOU WOULD LIKELY GET $37 \frac{1}{2}$ FOR
 A $\frac{1}{4}$ LOSS ASSUMING YOU BOUGHT AT $37 \frac{3}{4}$. THIS IS AN
 EXAMPLE OF A STOCK THAT CURRENTLY HAS A GOOD, SAFE MARKET
 MAKER SCREEN.

QNTM HAS A 1/8 BID/ASK SPREAD
 35 5/8 BY 35 3/4

QNTM		35 11/16	+3/16	down	VI 3417800		
Hi	36 1/2	Lo	35 5/16		Hst	Cl	
Bid	↓ 35 5/8	Ask	35 3/4			35 1/2	
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O	MONT	35 5/8	10	O	DEAN	35 3/4	20
O	PWJC	35 5/8	7	O	JPMS	35 3/4	10
O	PERT	35 5/8	13	O	SELZ	35 3/4	10
O	OLDE	35 5/8	10	O	JEFF	35 3/4	10
O	PRUS	35 1/2	10	O	GRUN	35 3/4	10
O	SALB	35 1/2	10	O	TSCO	35 3/4	30
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O	DEAN	35 1/2	1	O	DLJP	35 7/8	10
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O	CHGO	35 3/8	10	O	PRUS	36	10
O	NFSC	35 3/8	10	O	GVRG	36	10

Good DEPTH TO PRICE LEVELS

IF YOU BOUGHT AT 35 3/4 YOU COULD EASILY EXIT AT 35 1/2.
 IF YOU SOLD AT 35 5/8 YOU COULD EASILY EXIT AT 35 1/8.
 THIS ALLOWS YOU TO STAY WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF AN INITIAL 1/4 STOP-LOSS.

QNTM

13:38	35	11/16	1000
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13:38	35	3/4	100
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13:33	35	11/16	1000
13:31	35	5/8	200
13:30	35	11/16	2800
13:30	35	5/8	1000
13:30	35	5/8	1000
13:30	35	5/8	1000
13:30	35	5/8	1000
13:30	35	11/16	100
13:30	35	5/8	500
13:30	35	5/8	100
13:30	35	11/16	600
13:29	35	5/8	3000
13:29	35	3/4	300

DIGI CURRENTLY HAS A 1/16 BID/ASK SPREAD
 20 1/4 BY 28 5/14

DIGI	28 5/16	-15/16	down	VI	1417800	Hst Cl	29 1/4
Hi	28 7/8	Lo	28 1/8				
Bid	↓ 28 1/4	Ask	28 5/16				
O	SBSH	28 1/4	10	O	INCA	28 5/16	10
O	RSSF	28 1/4	10	O	NITE	28 3/8	10
O	FBCO	28 1/4	10	O	MLCO	28 3/8	10
O	COWN	28 1/4	10	O	ISLD	28 3/8	10
O	OLDE	28 1/4	5	O	MASH	28 7/16	10
O	SALB	28 1/4	10	O	MSCO	28 1/2	10
O	DLJP	28 1/4	10	O	PWJC	28 1/2	10
O	HRZG	28 1/4	12	O	JPMS	28 1/2	10
O	MASH	28 1/4	10	O	PRUS	28 1/2	10
O	INCA	28 1/4	20	O	HRZG	28 1/2	5
O	MADF	28 1/4	4	O	SNDV	28 9/16	10
O	MONT	28 3/16	10	O	CHGO	28 5/8	10
O	BTRD	28 3/16	8	O	OPCO	28 5/8	10
O	GKMC	28 1/8	10	O	WEAT	28 5/8	10
O	COST	28 1/8	10	O	LEHM	28 5/8	10
O	CANT	28 1/8	10	O	JEFF	28 5/8	10
O	RPSC	28 1/8	10	O	NAWE	28 5/8	10
O	CHGO	28 1/8	10	O	UBSS	28 5/8	10
O	BEST	28 1/8	10	O	TSCO	28 5/8	10
O	RHCO	28 1/8	10	O	MONT	28 11/16	10
O	LEHM	28 1/8	10	O	BTRD	28 11/16	2
O	JEFF	28 1/8	10	O	MWSE	28 11/16	1
O	LEGG	28 1/8	10	O	MADF	28 11/16	10
O	DEAN	28 1/8	10	O	GKMC	28 3/4	10

THIS IS ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF GOOD DEPTH OF PRICE LEVELS AND ONLY 1/8 OR 1/16 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN EACH LEVEL. VERY SAFE TO TRADE WITHOUT RISKING MORE THAN YOUR INITIAL 1/4 STOPLOSS

DIGI	28 5/16	500
13:36	28 5/16	500
13:33	28 1/4	100
13:33	28 1/4	4000
13:33	28 1/4	1000
13:33	28 1/4	300
13:32	28 1/4	100
13:32	28 1/4	900
13:32	28 1/4	1000
13:31	28 1/4	100
13:31	28 1/4	100
13:30	28 1/4	500
13:30	28 1/4	500
13:30	28 5/16	200
13:30	28 5/16	800
13:28	28 09/32	3000
13:27	28 3/8	25000
13:27	28 5/16	600
13:26	28 5/16	100
13:22	28 5/16	2500
13:21	28 5/16	6000
13:20	28 5/16	7500
13:20	28 5/16	7500
13:20	28 3/8	1000
13:20	28 5/16	400
13:20	28 5/16	10800
13:19	28 5/16	300
13:19	28 5/16	300
13:19	28 5/16	400
13:19	28 3/8	1000
13:15	28 3/8	200
13:15	28 5/16	2500
13:14	28 3/8	1000
13:14	28 3/8	2000

CURRENTLY $\frac{1}{8}$ BID/ASK SPREAD

28 BY 28 $\frac{1}{8}$

APCC		28	+1/16	up	VI 976400	
Hi	28 1/2	Lo	27 7/8		Hst	Cl 27 15/16
Bid	↑ 28	Ask	28 1/8			
0	INCA	28		10	0	SHWD 28 1/8
0	SBSH	27 15/16		10	0	LEHM 28 1/8
0	NFSC	27 7/8		10	0	MSCO 28 1/8
0	PRUS	27 7/8		10	0	JPMS 28 1/8
0	BEST	27 7/8		10	0	JEFF 28 1/8
0	ADVS	27 7/8		10	0	NITE 28 1/4
0	OLDE	27 7/8		10	0	FACT 28 1/4
0	MASH	27 7/8		2	0	HRZG 28 1/4
0	MLCO	27 7/8		10	0	DEAN 28 1/4
0	CANT	27 3/4		10	0	NAWE 28 1/4
0	PMJC	27 3/4		8	0	INCA 28 1/4
0	FACT	27 3/4		10	0	WEED 28 1/4
0	HRZG	27 3/4		10	0	SBSH 28 3/8
0	TUCK	27 3/4		10	0	TSCO 28 3/8
0	JBOC	27 3/4		10	0	MASH 28 3/8
0	WEED	27 3/4		10	0	BARR 28 3/8
0	NITE	27 5/8		10	0	TUCK 28 3/8
0	CHGO	27 5/8		10	0	JBOC 28 3/8
0	MADF	27 5/8		10	0	MLCO 28 3/8
0	LEHM	27 5/8		10	0	NFSC 28 1/2
0	MSCO	27 5/8		10	0	PMJC 28 1/2
0	TSCO	27 5/8		10	0	ADVS 28 1/2
0	NAWE	27 5/8		10	0	CHGO 28 1/2
0	JEFF	27 5/8		10	0	MADF 28 1/2

APCC	Time	Price	Quantity
13:33	28	600	
13:33	28	500	
13:32	27	1000	
13:32	27	3000	
13:32	27	2000	
13:32	27	3000	
13:32	28	1000	
13:32	28	1000	
13:32	28	1000	
13:32	28	1000	
13:32	28	1000	
13:32	28	400	
13:32	28	700	
13:32	28	800	
13:32	28	200	
13:32	28	200	
13:31	28	400	
13:31	28	1000	
13:31	28	1000	
13:31	28	1000	
13:31	28	1000	
13:31	28	1000	
13:31	28	1000	
13:31	28	200	
13:30	28	300	
13:30	28	100	
13:29	28	200	
13:29	28	200	
13:26	28	100	
13:26	28	100	
13:25	28	500	
13:23	28	100	
13:22	28	200	
13:19	28	133000	
13:19	28	133000	
13:19	28	300	

1000 SHARE
 LOTS ARE
 TYPICALLY
 OTHER
 DAY TRADERS
 WATCH TO
 SEE IF THEY
 ARE COMING
 THROUGH AT
 THE CURRENT
 INSIDE BID
 OR INSIDE ASK
 THE BID WOULD
 BE SELLS
 THE ASK WOULD
 BE BUYS

$\frac{1}{8}$ or $\frac{1}{16}$
 DIFFERENCE
 BETWEEN LEVELS
 IN GOOD DEPTH
 TO EACH
 PRICE LEVEL

ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF A SAFE
 MARKET MAKER SCREEN

CURRENTLY 1/8 BID/ASK SPREAD
47 5/8 BY 47 3/4

- BUT -
IF THE 1 MARKET MAKER AT 47 5/8 BID MOVES AWAY,
THEN IT IS 1/4 SPREAD. YOU HAVE TO BE EFFECTIVE
AT TIMING YOUR ENTRY AND EXIT.

GOOD
1/8 TO 1/4
PRICE LEVELS
WITH DEPTH

ADPT	47 5/8	+1/4	down	VI	749300	Hst Cl	47 3/8
Hi	48 5/8	Lo	47 3/8				
Bid ↓	47 5/8	Ask	47 3/4				
0	MSCO	47 5/8	10	0	DLJP	47 3/4	10
0	SNDV	47 1/2	10	0	SHWD	47 3/4	11
0	CANT	47 1/2	10	0	NBSI	47 3/4	10
0	CEUT	47 1/2	10	0	BEST	47 7/8	10
0	FBCO	47 1/2	10	0	SBSH	47 7/8	10
0	INCA	47 1/2	5	0	MLCO	47 7/8	10
0	BTRD	47 7/16	6	0	LEHM	47 7/8	10
0	GSCO	47 3/8	10	0	CHGO	47 7/8	10
0	PWJC	47 3/8	10	0	MASH	47 7/8	5
0	RSSF	47 3/8	10	0	INCA	47 7/8	5
0	HRZG	47 3/8	10	0	BTRD	47 15/16	6
0	MLCO	47 3/8	10	0	PWJC	48	10
0	LEHM	47 3/8	10	0	RSSF	48	10
0	SHWD	47 3/8	10	0	HRZG	48	4
0	MASH	47 3/8	10	0	FBCO	48	10
0	NITE	47 3/8	10	0	GSCO	48 1/8	10
0	TSCO	47 3/8	10	0	PERT	48 1/8	10
0	BEST	47 1/4	10	0	MWSE	48 1/8	10
0	SBSH	47 1/4	10	0	NITE	48 1/8	10
0	MADF	47 1/4	10	0	OLDE	48 1/4	10
0	NFSC	47 1/4	10	0	SNDV	48 1/4	10
0	DLJP	47 1/4	10	0	CANT	48 1/4	10
0	MWSE	47 1/4	10	0	CEUT	48 1/4	10
0	CHGO	47 1/8	10	0	MSCO	48 1/4	10

IF YOU HAD A SELL SETUP AND SOLD THE BID, YOU
WOULD LIKELY GET FILLED AT 47 1/2 INSTEAD OF THE
1 MARKET MAKER (MSCO) AT 47 3/8. IF YOU WERE WRONG AND
HAD TO EXIT IMMEDIATELY YOU MAY BE ABLE TO BUY THE 47 3/4 ASK.
BUT IF SEVERAL OTHER NUMBERS ALSO BEGIN BUYING BACK THE STOCK, THEN
A LITTLE BIT RISKIER, BUT TRADEABLE

1/8 CURRENT BID/ASK SPREAD

ERTS		33 9/16	-7/16	down	VI 239900		
Hi	↓	34 1/2	Lo	33 1/2	Ask	33 5/8	
Bid	↓	33 1/2	Ask	33 5/8	Hst Cl	34	
O	UBSS	33 1/2	10	O	INCA	33 5/8	4
O	GSCO	33 1/2	10	O	TSCO	33 3/4	10
O	PWJC	33 1/2	10	O	MASH	33 3/4	9
O	LEHM	33 1/2	10	O	FBCO	33 7/8	10
O	NITE	33 1/2	3	O	MSCO	33 7/8	10
O	WBLR	33 1/2	10	O	BEST	33 7/8	10
O	DEAN	33 1/2	10	O	PIPR	33 7/8	10
O	MASH	33 1/2	11	O	HMQT	33 7/8	10
O	ISLD	33 1/2	10	O	HRZG	33 7/8	10
O	FBCO	33 3/8	10	O	SBSH	33 7/8	10
O	MSCO	33 3/8	10	O	JEFF	33 7/8	10
O	BEST	33 3/8	10	O	UBSS	34	10
O	RSSF	33 3/8	10	O	COWN	34	6
O	CANT	33 3/8	10	O	RSSF	34	10
O	SHWD	33 3/8	10	O	GSCO	34	10
O	PIPR	33 3/8	10	O	PWJC	34	10
O	VOLP	33 3/8	10	O	WEED	34	9
O	DLJP	33 3/8	10	O	LEHM	34	10
O	HRZG	33 3/8	1	O	CANT	34	10
O	PRUS	33 3/8	10	O	VOLP	34	10
O	SBSH	33 3/8	10	O	WBLR	34	10
O	MADF	33 5/16	10	O	OLDE	34	10
O	ABSB	33 1/4	10	O	JPMS	34	10
O	COWN	33 1/4	4	O	PRUS	34	10

ERTS	13:36	13:32	13:29	13:28	13:26	13:26	13:24	13:24	13:23	13:22	13:21	13:21	13:21	13:21	13:20	13:20	13:19	13:17	13:14	13:09	13:05	13:05	13:00	13:00	12:58	12:50	12:49	12:45	12:38	12:35	12:32	12:32	12:28	12:24	
	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33
	9/16	5/8	5/8	5/8	1/2	1/2	3/4	5/8	1/2	1/2	9/16	9/16	9/16	9/16	1/2	1/2	9/16	5/8	1/2	1/2	5/8	5/8	3/4	5/8	5/8	3/4	3/4	3/4	3/4	5/8	3/4	3/4	5/8	5/8	5/8
	300	1000	300	300	2000	100	1000	100	100	100	400	500	100	100	900	900	900	100	500	1000	1000	100	500	1000	200	1000	1000	100	600	100	100	100	2500	300	

GOOD IF YOU ARE BUYING DUE TO THE THICKNESS OF LEVELS ON THE BID SIDE, IF YOU HAVE TO SELL OUT OF THE POSITION WITH 1/4 LOSS.
 BAD IF YOU ARE SELLING THE 33 1/2 BID BECAUSE YOUR LIKELY FILL PRICE IF YOU HAVE TO QUICKLY BUY IT BACK WOULD BE 33 7/8, A 3/8 LOSS.
 - BUT - IF IT IS A STRONG SELL SETUP WITH PROFIT POTENTIAL OF 11 POINTS THEN YOU MAY WISH TO RISK 3/8 AS YOUR INITIAL STOP LOSS

Currently 1/4 Bid/Ask Spread

Other Day Traders are currently selling the Bid.

WAMU		68 3/8	-11/16	down	VI 468400		
Hi	69 7/8	Lo	68 3/8	Hst Cl	69 1/16		
Bid ↓	68 3/8	Ask	68 5/8				
O	SALB	68 3/8	10	O	LEHM	68 5/8	10
O	DEAN	68 1/4	10	O	FPKI	68 5/8	10
O	WEED	68 1/4	9	O	FBCO	68 5/8	10
O	CANT	68 1/4	10	O	FBRC	68 5/8	10
O	BEST	68 1/4	10	O	MSCO	68 5/8	10
O	JEFF	68 1/4	10	O	TSCO	68 5/8	10
O	PWJC	68 1/4	10	O	GSCO	68 5/8	10
O	MONT	68 1/4	10	O	UBSS	68 5/8	10
O	SBSH	68 1/4	10	O	SHWD	68 5/8	10
O	MLCO	68 1/4	10	O	BTRD	68 5/8	5
O	BTRD	68 1/4	5	O	BEST	68 3/4	10
O	DAIN	68 1/4	10	O	JEFF	68 3/4	10
O	KBWI	68 3/16	10	O	PWJC	68 3/4	10
O	MASH	68 1/8	10	O	MONT	68 3/4	10
O	JPMS	68 1/8	10	O	SBSH	68 3/4	10
O	PIPR	68 1/8	10	O	MLCO	68 3/4	10
O	LEHM	68 1/8	10	O	KBWI	68 13/16	10
O	FPKI	68 1/8	10	O	JPMS	68 7/8	10
O	FBCO	68 1/8	10	O	PIPR	68 7/8	10
O	FBRC	68 1/8	10	O	SALB	68 7/8	10
O	MSCO	68 1/8	10	O	CANT	68 7/8	10
O	TSCO	68 1/8	10	O	HRZG	68 7/8	10
O	HRZG	68 1/8	10	O	RAGN	68 7/8	10
O	GSCO	68 1/8	10	O	NITE	68 7/8	10

MANY
1000 SHARE
TRADES MEANS
LOTS OF
DAY TRADERS
TRADING THIS
STOCK

GOOD DEPTH TO MOST PRICE LEVELS EXCEPT THE INSIDE BID OF 68 3/8. IF YOU WERE BUYING AT 68 5/8, YOU'D BE RISKING 3/8 IN INITIAL STOP-LOSS. IF THE STOCK WERE TO MOVE AGAINST YOU, THE 68 3/8 PRICE WOULD SOME OFF THE BID AND YOU'D HAVE TO EXIT AT 68 1/4. THIS IS STILL A VERY PLAYABLE STOCK. YOU MIGHT WANT TO WAIT UNTIL THE LEVELS MOVE AROUND TO GIVE YOU A BETTER MARGIN OF SAFETY (ie, IF MORE MARKET MAKERS CAME IN AT 68 3/8 BID OR, SOME MARKET MAKERS BEGAN FILLING IN AT 68 1/2 AS A NEW INSIDE ASK

TLAB 62 +5/16 up VI 741800
 Hi 62 7/16 Lo 61 3/4 HstCl 61 11/16
 Bid ↑ 62 Ask 62 1/16

O	CANT	62	10	O	INCA	62 1/16	4
O	TSCO	61 7/8	10	O	GSCO	62 1/8	10
O	SALB	61 7/8	10	O	MASH	62 1/8	7
O	CHGO	61 7/8	10	O	WEAT	62 1/8	10
O	SBSH	61 7/8	10	O	DMGL	62 1/8	10
O	UBSS	61 3/4	10	O	MLCO	62 3/16	10
O	PRUS	61 3/4	10	O	DLJP	62 1/4	10
O	PWJC	61 3/4	2	O	BEST	62 1/4	10
O	MWSE	61 3/4	10	O	MONT	62 1/4	10
O	MSCO	61 3/4	10	O	BARD	62 1/4	10
O	MADF	61 11/16	1	O	FBCO	62 1/4	10
L	WBLR	61 5/8	10	O	HRZG	62 1/4	2
O	COWN	61 5/8	10	O	LEHM	62 1/4	10
O	RHCO	61 5/8	10	O	PWJC	62 1/4	10
O	SNDV	61 5/8	10	O	OLDE	62 1/4	10
O	RAJA	61 5/8	10	O	MSCO	62 1/4	10
O	NITE	61 5/8	10	O	ISLD	62 1/4	2
O	BTRD	61 5/8	4	O	NFSC	62 5/16	10
O	SHWD	61 5/8	10	O	BTRD	62 5/16	4
O	DLJP	61 1/2	10	O	MWSE	62 5/16	10
O	BEST	61 1/2	10	O	COWN	62 3/8	10
O	MONT	61 1/2	10	O	RHCO	62 3/8	10
O	JEFF	61 1/2	10	O	RAJA	62 3/8	10
O	KMSI	61 1/2	10	O	PRUS	62 3/8	10

TLAB

13:30	62	200
13:29	62	300
13:25	62	1000
13:25	62	3000
13:25	62	1200
13:25	62	1000
13:25	62	1000
13:25	62	300
13:24	62	1000
13:24	62	1000
13:24	62	1000
13:24	62	1000
13:23	62	100
13:23	62	100
13:21	62	400
13:18	62	200
13:17	62	14000
13:17	62	1000
13:17	62	1000
13:17	62	800
13:17	62	200
13:17	62	1000
13:17	62	1000
13:17	62	1000
13:17	62	1000
13:17	62	1000
13:17	62	1000
13:16	62	1000
13:16	62	1000
13:16	62	1000
13:16	62	1000
13:16	62	1000
13:16	62	1000

LESS
 DEPTH TO
 PRICE LEVELS

YOU HAVE TO BE MORE NIMBLE TO TRADE THIS STOCK. SINCE IT
 HAS THINNER LEVELS, PRICE CAN MOVE QUICKLY MOVE UP OR DOWN,
 MAKE SURE THAT YOU ARE ONLY GOING TO BE RISKING 1/4 TO 3/8
 BY LETTING THE MARKET MAKER SCREEN PRESENT THE BEST
 PROBABILITY OF GETTING OUT OF THE STOCK AT YOUR PREDETERMINED
 STOP-LOSS EXIT, OTHERWISE DON'T GET INTO A TRADE

CURRENT $\frac{1}{8}$ BID/ASK SPREAD OF
 $53\frac{7}{8}$ BY 54 WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE
 THINNESS OF PRICE LEVELS

$\frac{1}{2}$ POINT
 DIFFERENCE
 WITH \downarrow MARKET
 MAKER AT EACH
 LEVEL

CTXS		54	+11/16	up	VI 483600	
Hi	Lo	51 3/4	Ask	Hst Cl	53 5/16	
Bid	53 7/8	54				
O	INCA	53 7/8	34	O	INCA	54
O	MONT	53 3/8	10	O	HMQT	54
O	NEED	53 1/4	9	O	PWJC	54
O	MASH	53 1/4	10	O	ISLD	54
O	SHWD	53 1/4	10	O	RSSF	54 1/8
O	HMQT	53 1/8	10	O	NEED	54 1/4
O	RSSF	53 1/8	10	O	PRUS	54 1/4
O	NITE	53 1/8	10	O	NEUB	54 1/4
O	NEUB	53	8	O	TSCO	54 1/4
O	MWSE	53	10	O	MASH	54 1/4
O	NFSC	53	10	O	SHWD	54 1/4
O	PWJC	53	10	O	NITE	54 1/4
O	GKMC	53	4	O	GKMC	54 1/4
O	OLDE	52 7/8	10	O	OLDE	54 3/8
O	TSCO	52 3/4	10	O	MONT	54 3/8
O	JBOC	52 5/8	2	O	JBOC	54 5/8
O	NAWE	52 1/8	10	O	NAWE	54 5/8
O	TNT0	52	3	O	NFSC	54 3/4
O	PRUS	51 1/2	2	O	MWSE	54 7/8
O	ISLD	51 1/2	1			

CTXS	13:39	54	300
13:39	54	54	1000
13:39	54	54	1000
13:39	54	54	300
13:39	54	54	300
13:39	54	54	200
13:39	54	54	100
13:39	54	54	100
13:39	54	54	500
13:39	54	54	2000
13:39	54	54	100
13:39	54	54	300
13:39	54	54	1200
13:39	54	54	900
13:39	54	54	200
13:39	54	54	500
13:39	54	54	100
13:39	54	54	300
ask	54	54	34
bid	53 7/8	53 7/8	34
13:39	53 7/8	53 7/8	300
13:38	53 7/8	53 7/8	300
13:38	53 7/8	53 7/8	100
13:38	53 7/8	53 7/8	100
ask	54	54	38
bid	53 13/16	53 13/16	38
ask	53 7/8	53 7/8	38
bid	53 3/4	53 3/4	38
13:38	53 3/4	53 3/4	500
13:38	53 3/4	53 3/4	500
ask	53 7/8	53 7/8	38
bid	53 11/16	53 11/16	38

IF YOU BOUGHT THIS STOCK AT 54 , YOU'D BE RISKING
 AN EXIT PRICE OF $53\frac{1}{4}$ OR $53\frac{1}{8}$ IF YOU WERE WRONG ABOUT THE TRADE.
 BY THE TIME YOUR SELL ORDER FILLED TO EXIT THE TRADE, THE $53\frac{1}{8}$
 AND $53\frac{3}{8}$ ASK PRICES WOULD HAVE PROBABLY MOVED AWAY. THIS LEAVES
 YOU WITH A $\frac{3}{4}$ TO $\frac{1}{8}$ LOSS. NEVER BUY A SETUP LIKE THIS.
 A SELL WOULD BE OKAY IF YOU WERE ABLE TO HIT THE INSIDE BID OF $53\frac{1}{8}$, YOU COULD BUY
 BACK AT $54\frac{1}{4}$ OR BETTER IF YOU WERE WRONG!

WITH A $\frac{3}{8}$ BID/ASK SPREAD, AND SOMEWHAT THINNER PRICE LEVELS, YOU'D BE RISKING $\frac{1}{2}$ TO $\frac{5}{8}$ LOSS WITH A TRADE IF YOU WERE WRONG.

★ DO NOT TRADE A SETUP IF THE MARKET MAKER SCREEN LOOKS LIKE THIS! TOO MUCH RISK.

HCCC		58 3/4	-2 1/4	down	VI 842800		
Hi	60 1/8	Lo	56 1/4		HstCl	61	
Bid	↓ 58 5/8	Ask	59				
○	MONT	58 5/8	10	○	SALB	59	10
○	MLCO	58 5/8	5	○	GMGS	59	10
○	MASH	58 5/8	10	○	RHCO	59	9
○	DLJP	58 5/8	10	○	MONT	59 1/8	10
○	GSCO	58 1/2	10	○	MLCO	59 1/8	10
○	MSCO	58 1/2	10	○	PIPR	59 1/4	10
○	JEFF	58 1/2	10	○	HMQT	59 1/4	10
○	DAIN	58 1/2	10	○	MSCO	59 1/4	10
○	OLDE	58 1/2	10	○	DAIN	59 1/4	10
○	LEHM	58 3/8	10	○	LEGG	59 1/4	10
○	RHCO	58 3/8	10	○	TSCO	59 1/4	10
○	PIPR	58 1/4	10	○	SHWD	59 1/4	10
○	HMQT	58 1/4	10	○	LEHM	59 3/8	10
○	NITE	58 1/4	10	○	MASH	59 3/8	10
○	TSCO	58 1/4	10	○	MWSE	59 3/8	1
○	SALB	58 1/4	10	○	GSCO	59 1/2	10
○	MWSE	58 1/4	1	○	SCCC	59 1/2	10
○	SCCC	58	10	○	JEFF	59 1/2	10
○	LEGG	58	10	○	OLDE	59 1/2	10
○	GMGS	58	10	○	DLJP	59 5/8	10
○	SHWD	58	10	○	NITE	60	10

HCCC	13:39	58 3/4	900
	13:34	59	100
	13:33	58 3/4	1000
	13:33	58 11/16	1000
	13:32	58 5/8	2000
	13:28	58 3/4	100
	13:28	58 3/4	100
	13:28	58 13/16	200
	13:28	58 13/16	200
	13:28	58 15/16	900
	13:25	58 3/4	200
	13:15	58 5/8	100
	13:12	59	100
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	13:12	59	1000
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	12:44	59 1/4	100
	12:44	58 3/4	100
	12:43	59 1/8	200

THE ONLY REASONABLE WAY TO TRADE THIS STOCK IF YOU WERE CONVINCED ABOUT THE SETUP WOULD BE TO USE 500 SHARES TO REDUCE YOUR RISK IN THE EVENT YOU ARE WRONG.

1/4 BID/ASK SPREAD WITH TYPICALLY 1/4 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN PRICE LEVELS AND NO DEPTH TO EACH PRICE LEVEL

AGPH		92 1/4	-1/8	down	VI 263800	
HI	93 1/2	Lo	92 1/4		Hst Cl	92 3/8
Bid	↓ 92 1/4	Ask	92 1/2			
L MSCO	92 1/4	10	O	PWJC	92 1/2	10
O MASH	92 3/16	10	O	NITE	92 7/8	1
O PERT	92	1	O	PRUS	93	10
O NITE	92	10	O	ABSB	93 3/8	10
O TSCO	91 3/4	10	O	ISLD	93 3/8	2
O LEHM	91 3/4	10	O	HRZG	93 7/16	10
O SHWD	91 3/4	3	O	INCA	93 7/16	4
O PWJC	91 3/4	1	O	MONT	93 1/2	10
O HRZG	91 9/16	10	O	MASH	93 1/2	10
O MONT	91 1/2	10	L	MSCO	93 5/8	10
O ISLD	91 1/2	1	O	RSSF	93 5/8	10
O PRUS	91 1/2	10	O	TSCO	93 3/4	10
O ABSB	91 3/8	10	O	LEHM	93 3/4	10
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			O	PERT	93 7/8	10

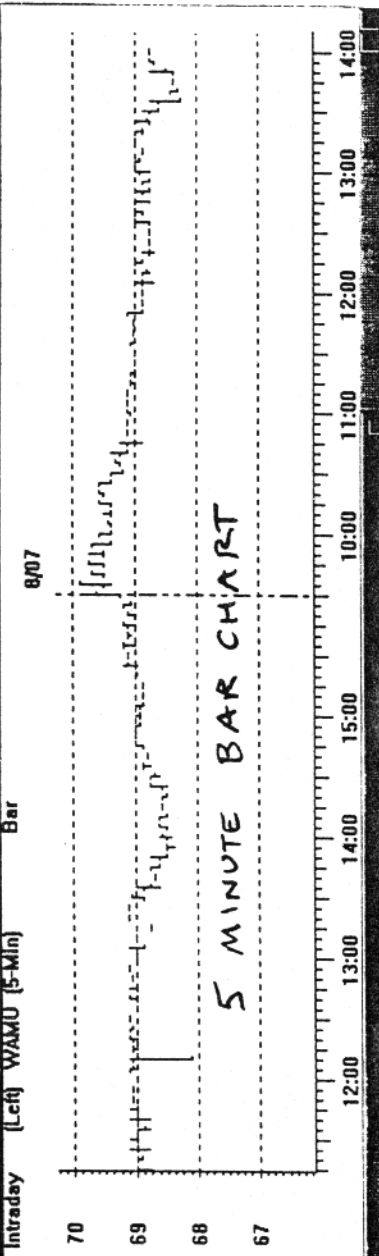
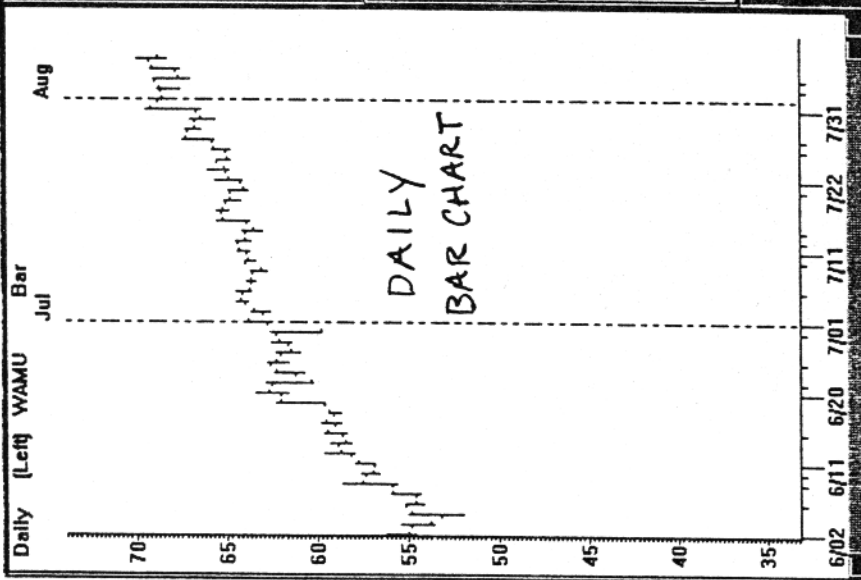
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12:55	92 7/8	100		
12:53	92 7/8	500		
12:53	92 7/8	100		
12:52	92 7/8	500		

DONT EVEN THINK ABOUT IT !!
WAY TOO MUCH RISK

YOU COULD EASILY LOSE 1 POINT
 IN THIS STOCK IF YOU ARE WIKING ABOUT THE TRADE.

PASS IT UP EVEN IF IT HAS
 A GREAT BUYER SELL PRICE PATTERN SETUP

ASMLF	86 3/8	-1/4	UP	VI	76700	Hst Cl	86 5/8		
HI	87 3/8	Lo	86						
Bid	↑ 86 1/4	Ask	86 5/8						
O INCA	86 1/4	10	O	MLCO	86 5/8	10	13:33	86 3/8	1000
O BEST	86 1/8	10	O	MSCO	86 3/4	10	13:33	86 3/4	1000
O LEHM	86	1	O	RSSF	86 7/8	10	13:33	86 3/4	1000
O FBCO	86	10	O	NEED	87	10	13:33	86 5/8	1000
O ADAM	86	10	O	TSCO	87	10	13:26	86 3/4	500
O NEED	86	10	O	MONT	87	10	13:11	87 1/8	100
O SHWD	86	1	O	HRZG	87	10	13:03	86 3/4	1000
O RSSF	85 7/8	10	O	SHWD	87	4	13:01	86 3/4	1000
O OPCO	85 3/4	10	O	CHGO	87 1/8	10	12:57	86 11/16	100
O TSCO	85 3/4	10	O	LEHM	87 1/4	10	12:53	86 5/8	1400
O MONT	85 3/4	10	O	FBCO	87 1/4	10	12:27	86 5/8	300
O MSCO	85 3/4	10	O	BEST	87 3/8	10	12:25	86 5/8	1000
O HRZG	85 3/4	10	O	OPCO	87 1/2	10	12:24	86 11/16	1000
O BTRD	85 5/8	1	O	ADAM	87 1/2	10	12:23	86 3/4	4500
O MLCO	85 5/8	10	O				12:22	86 9/16	1700
O CHGO	85 5/8	10	O				12:16	86 5/8	1100
							12:15	86 1/2	1100
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							11:57	86 3/8	5200
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							11:55	86 7/16	1000
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							11:46	86 5/8	1000
							11:39	86 3/8	3800
							11:37	86 1/8	900
							11:36	86 3/8	1100
							11:35	86 5/8	300
							11:35	87	100



DAILY BAR CHART

ORCL [HRCO]	56 15/16	57 11/16	ORCL [MLCO]	57 7/16	57 11/16
SVGI [SHWD]	33 5/8	34 3/4	COMS [PURE]	56 5/8	57 1/2
ORCL [ISLD]	57 7/16	57 5/8	TERM [INCR]	11 13/160	
MDCO [INCR]	0	24 3/4	MDCO	24 5/8	24 3/4
TERM	11 13/16	15/16	MHHS [INCR]	22 3/4	0
QNTM [MUSE]	35	36 1/16	MCRF [MUSE]	66 1/8	67 3/4
WCII [INCR]	18 3/8	0	LRCX [NITE]	59 1/4	60 1/4
ORCL [HRCO]	57	57 3/4	COMS [PERT]	56 7/8	57 1/4
QNTM [ISLD]	35 3/8	35 7/8	OXHP [MRSH]	74	75 1/2
COMS [OPCO]	56 5/8	57 1/4	INTCW [TUCK]	80 13/16	81 5/16
INTCW [INCR]	80 7/8	81 3/16	SVGI [MLCO]	33 7/8	34 3/8
LRCX [ISLD]	51	59 5/8	ADVNB [INCR]	34 1/16	0
COMS [INCR]	57 1/16	57 3/8			

THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF HOW YOUR COMPUTER SCREEN MIGHT BE CONFIGURED. THE MARKET MAKER, T.O.S., DAILY BAR CHART, AND 5 MINUTE BAR CHART WINDOWS ARE ALL LINKED TOGETHER. THE TICKER IS IN THE MIDDLE OF THE PAGE.

T.O.S. SCREEN

14:01	68 3/4	800
14:00	68 3/4	100
14:00	68 3/4	300
13:59	68 3/4	900
13:58	68 3/4	200
13:55	68 3/4	1000
13:55	68 3/4	300
13:55	68 3/4	400
13:55	68 11/16	1000
13:54	68 1/2	10000
13:54	68 3/8	20000
13:54	68 5/8	300
13:54	68 3/4	1000
13:54	68 5/8	2000
13:54	68 5/8	300
13:53	68 5/8	1000

WAMU 68 3/4 up MARKET MAKER

Hi 69 7/8 Lo 68 1/4 VI 595900

Bid ↑ 68 1/2 Ask 68 3/4 Hst Cl 69 1/16

TICKER

JEFF	68 1/2	10	O	MONT	68 3/4	10
FBCO	68 1/2	10	O	SBSH	68 3/4	10
CANT	68 1/2	10	O	JPMS	68 3/4	10
BEST	68 1/2	10	O	SALB	68 3/4	10
BTRD	68 1/2	5	O	MLCO	68 3/4	10
PWJC	68 1/2	5	O	PIPR	68 3/4	10
FPKI	68 3/8	10	O	LEHM	68 3/4	10
FBCR	68 3/8	10	O	KBWI	68 13/16	10
TSCO	68 3/8	10	O	BTRD	68 13/16	5
DAIN	68 3/8	10	O	NITE	68 7/8	10
GSCO	68 3/8	10	O	FPKI	68 7/8	10
MSCO	68 3/8	10	O	FBCR	68 7/8	10
SHWD	68 3/8	10	O	TSCO	68 7/8	10

SWING TRADES

Trades lasting from 2 to 5 + days

SWING TRADING

(trade setups for 2 to 5 day holds)

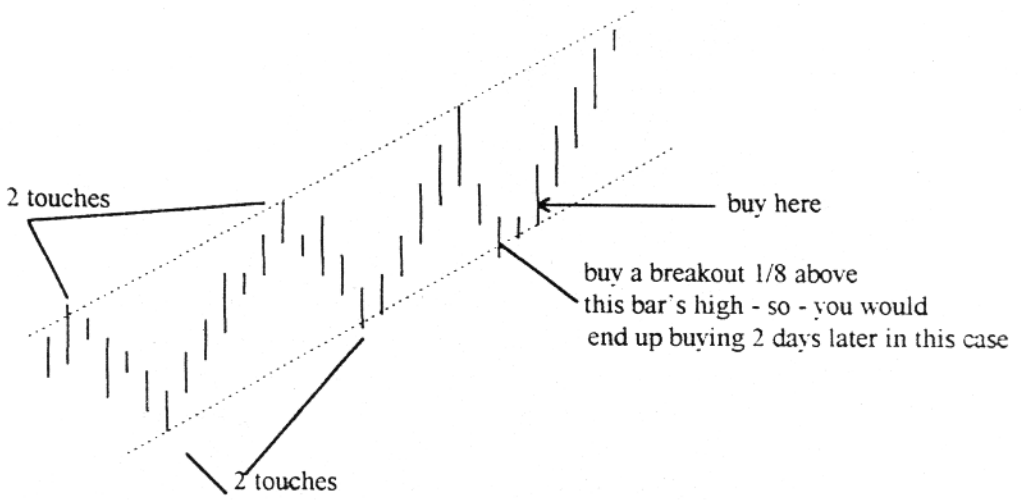
INTRODUCTION:

“Swing trades” in this case refers to trades that will typically last from 2 to 5 days. You should be looking to take several points of profit out of the market with each trade. Since holding overnight can be risky, you may wish to hold fewer shares. If you normally day trade 1000 shares at a time, consider trading only 200 to 500 shares on these setups. This limits your loss potential if after-market news on the company causes it to gap open against you. Fewer shares also allow you to use a wider stop-loss (typically 1 to 1 & 1/4 points) so that you don’t get hurt. This also allows more room for price to move around without stopping you out of a good trade. As the stock moves in your favor you can trail the stop-loss anywhere from 1 to 1 & 1/2 points behind it. At some point the stock may trade in your favor to a price level where you want to go ahead and take your profit. Some reasonable exit points are a price support or resistance level, the other side of the channel on a trend channel trade, or if you get a daily “reversal bar” setup counter to the trade direction. Your risk/reward ratio should be good (i.e. 1 to 3 or better). In other words, take the best setups that have the potential to give you 3 to 5 + points. This way you are risking just a few hundred dollars for a profit of 1 to 2 thousand dollars (and sometimes more). Trade these setups along with your regular day trading to add \$\$\$ to the bottom line. A worksheet of potential setups is provided later in the manual. It includes both a day trade and swing trade section for your analysis and stock picks for the upcoming trading day.

TREND CHANNEL (and trendlines)

A trend channel (for an up trending stock) is constructed by drawing a trendline through or very near 2 or more swing lows on a daily bar chart. If a line parallel to the initial trendline can be drawn through at least 2 swing highs on the chart then you have a trend channel (ex. #23). The tighter and more defined the channel is, the better. A stock often continues to trade within the channel if the trendlines are projected into the future on the chart. In an up trend you can buy subsequent dips down to the bottom of the trend channel. Using confirming factors increase the odds of success. For instance, if the dip to the bottom of the trend channel also coincides with a bounce on the 50 day moving average, and / or a bounce on a price support level, and / or you get a “reversal bar” pattern setup to buy, then the odds are stacked strongly in your favor. In a downtrend channel you would sell price rallies at the upper trendline. After entry, expectations are for price to attempt to trade to the other side of the trend channel. Near this area may be a good place to take your profits. Actual examples are presented later, but an up trending channel should look like the diagram at the top of the next page:

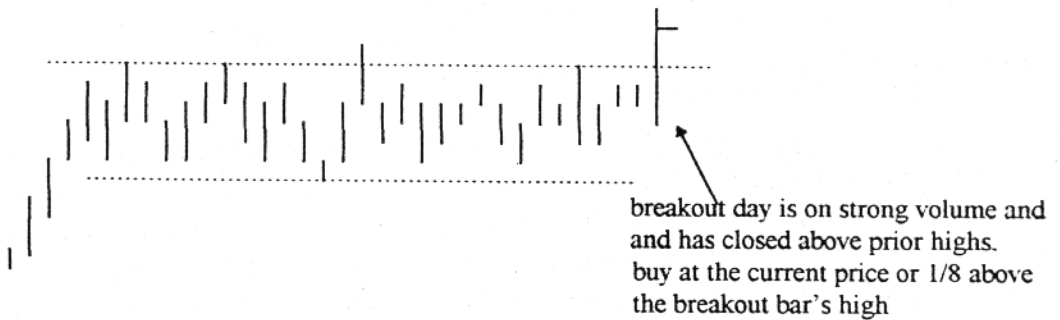
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1-2 MONTH BREAKOUTS

If a stock enters into a relatively tight trading range for 1-2 months, be prepared for a breakout to the upside. This is especially true if the prior trend was up, and you are in a bull market environment. The breakout day should close above the highest high of the consolidation range and trade on heavier than average volume. You should expect a several day follow-through in the direction of the breakout. This trade setup is even stronger if the stock price recently bounced up off of the 50 day moving average. Also, if the top side of the price range has a well defined resistance area, then the penetration to the upside will often be even more dramatic. This is a rough sketch of what the setup should look like. Actual examples will be provided later.

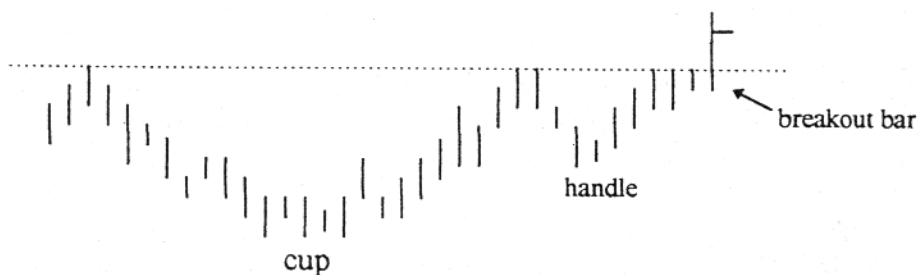
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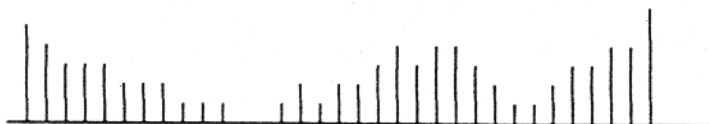
CUP W/ HANDLE

This name was coined by the founder of *Investor's Business Daily*, William O'Neil. The chart pattern resembles the profile of a coffee cup. The cup part of the pattern can last anywhere from several weeks to several months. The stock initially puts in an intermediate term price high, then begins selling off. After a while, buying comes back into the market pushing price up to, or very near, the earlier intermediate term high. This completes the right side of the cup. At this point the stock sells off again only slightly, trading sideways to down. It then trades back up to the right edge of the cup pattern to complete the handle. Be looking for a day that breaks out of the horizontal resistance area across the top of the cup and handle. This breakout begins an often substantial move up in price. Also keep an eye on volume. The setup is stronger if volume tends to decrease when price is selling off and increase when price is rallying. Here is a diagram of how price might look. Actual examples are included later.

25)



preferable
volume pattern



50 & 200 DAY SIMPLE MOVING AVERAGES

Many times the 50 and 200 day moving averages will tend to halt price. As mentioned earlier, fund managers key off of these indicators. This is where the "big money" can come into the market and affect price. If a stock is trading above the 50 day moving average and is selling off, often it will bounce up off of the moving average line (and vice versa). Conversely, a stock that has a day which strongly penetrates up or down through one of the moving averages typically follows through in that direction, at least for the short term (several days or longer). Knowing where the 50 and 200 day lines are for stocks that have trade setups can only help. It may be just one other confirming reason to take the trade, or it may help rule the trade out.

A CURRENTLY PROFITABLE DAY TRADE

As you near the end of a trading session you may have one or more open day trades with profit in them. Before closing them out, evaluate each of them to see if they have a strong chance of continuing their move for several more points over the course of a few days. If so, then consider selling only 700 of your 1000 shares to book the bulk of the profit. This puts money in your pocket but also allows you to participate in more of the price move.

SUMMARY:

These setups for multiple day trades should be considered separate from your day trading. Sometimes, if you are taking losses in your day trades, you may want to cash in an open and profitable swing trade. Resist the temptation. Let the swing trades stand on their own, and manage them that way. In the long run this will only add to your income.

NOTE OF CAUTION: Although day trading can be risky, holding stocks overnight can be even more so for a short term trader. A 10 or 20+ point gap against you on the open just once, can really ruin a day, or a week, or a month. Trade only as many shares as you are comfortable with. Always be aware of any upcoming news or earnings on a stock that you are holding for more than one day. Also, know when economic data is being released or when the Fed meets etc... they can cause significant market gaps that may go against your position.

CONCLUSION:

You've seen how to recognize and anticipate high probability trading patterns in several time frames. Putting them all together only increases the odds of a successful trade. Trading with the stock's trend and with the market direction (both daily and intraday) only enhances your win rate. But remember, it is better to miss a good trade than to get a poor fill and subsequently lose \$\$\$\$\$. There will always be another good trade setup, so wait for it and take only the best trades.

CHART EXAMPLES

for
DAY TRADING
and
SWING TRADING

The following daily charts provide numerous examples of labeled trade setups from both the “Day trading” section and the “Swing trading” section of the manual. Support and Resistance (S/R) levels are included as well as commentary. This will help tie together the trading concepts in the manual. A worksheet analysis section is provided subsequent to the charts.

Hbo & Co-Daily 07/25/97 C=77*7 -2*1 O=79*6 H=80*1 L=77*0 Mov Avg 2 lines 68*6 60*5

02/11/97

(HBOC) Hbo & Co

81.2
07/25/97

7500

68*6

62*4

56*2

50*0

43*6

4500000

3000000

1500000

REVERSAL TAPE BAR
AT BOTTOM OF
TREND CHANNEL
BUY THE NEXT DAY
1/8 ABOVE THE
REVERSAL BAR'S
HIGH

TREND CHANNEL

200 DAY MA

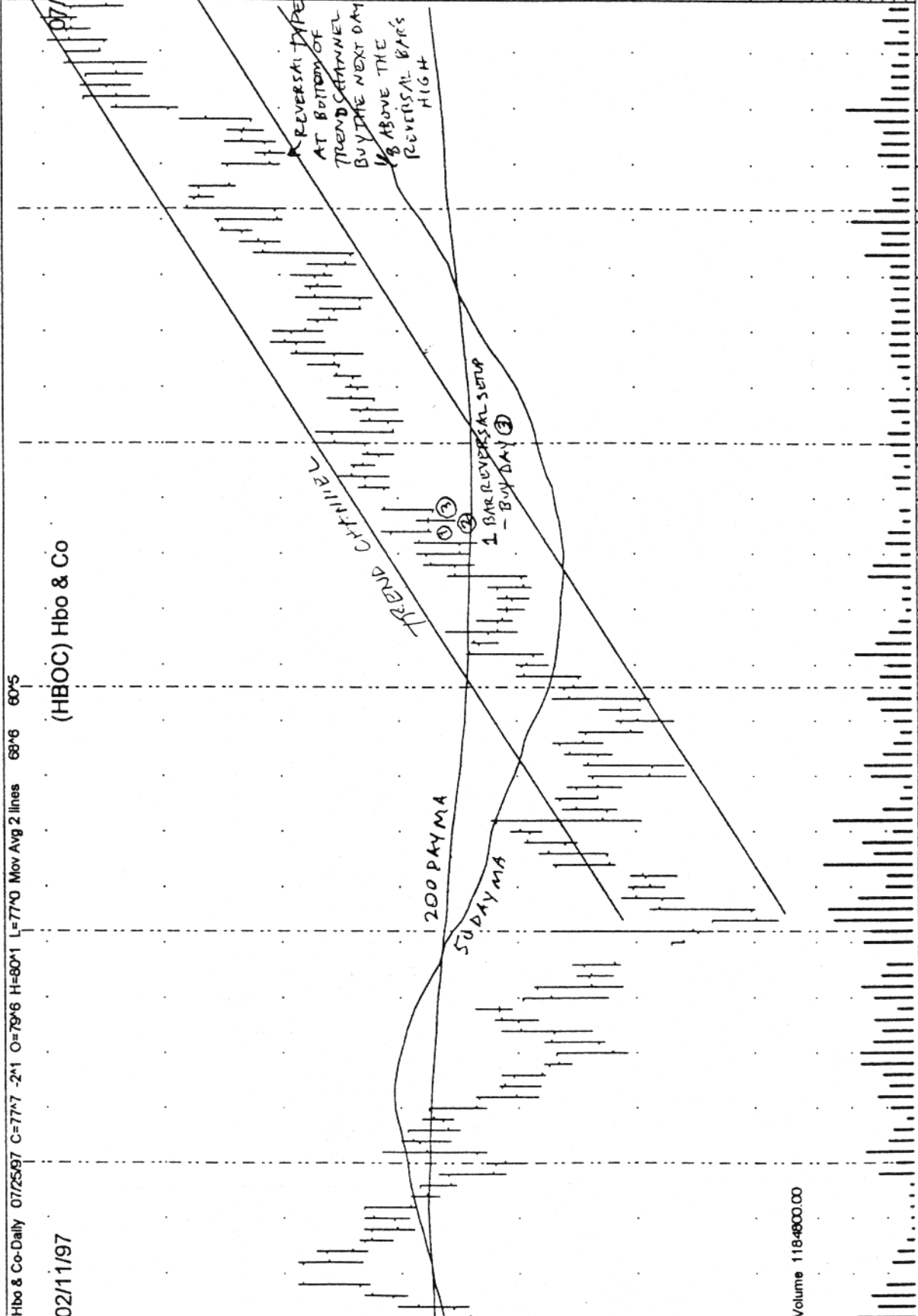
50 DAY MA

1 BAR REVERSAL SETUP
- BUY DAY ③

① ② ③

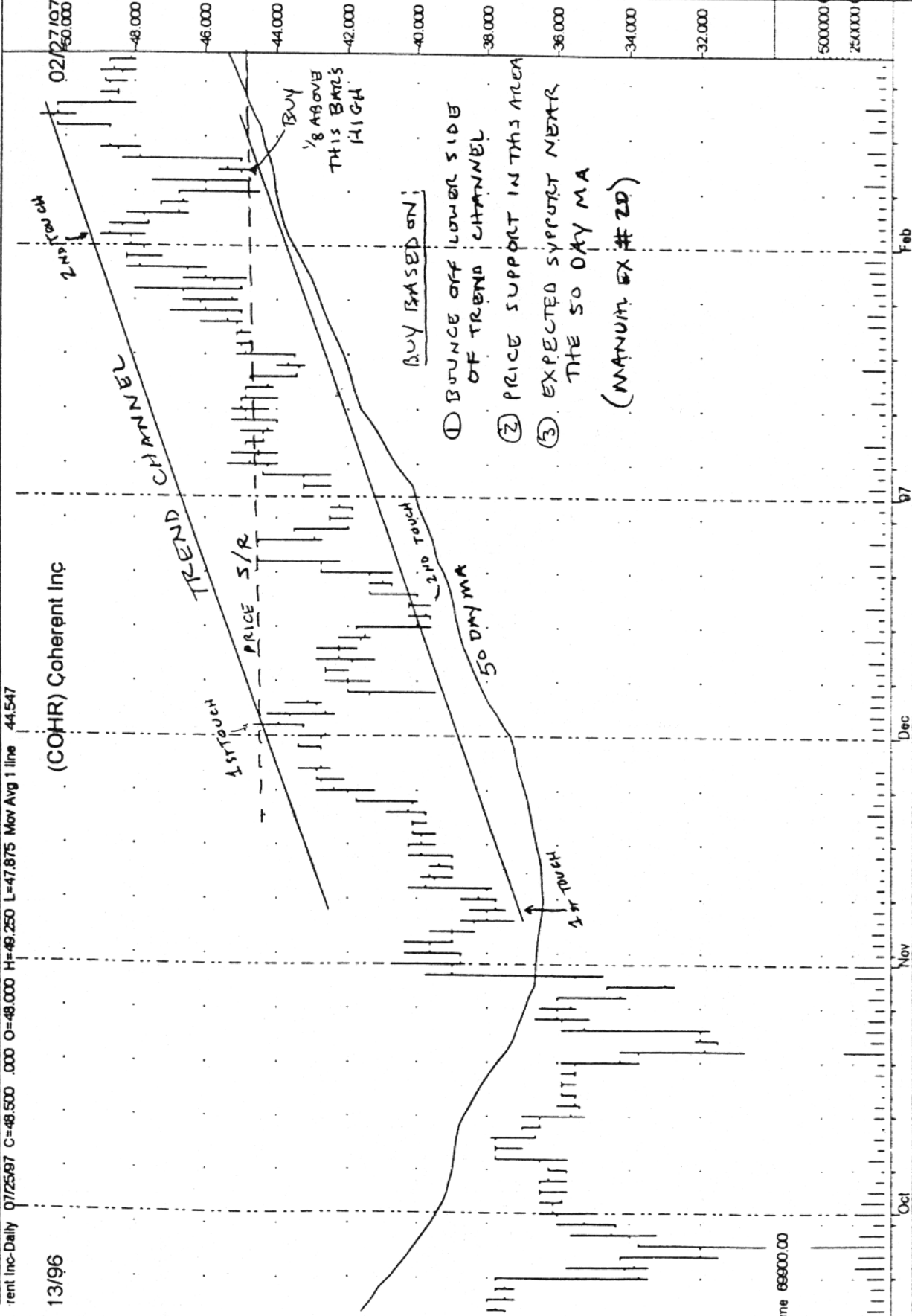
Volume 1184600.00

Mar Apr May Jun Jul



13/96

(COHR) Coherent Inc



BUY BASED ON:

- ① BOUNCE OFF LOWER SIDE OF TREND CHANNEL
 - ② PRICE SUPPORT IN THIS AREA
 - ③ EXPECTED SUPPORT NEAR THE 50 DAY MA
- (MANUAL EX #20)

Oxford Health Plans I-Daily 07/25/97 C=8511 -2*3 O=87*3 H=87*4 L=84*0 Mov Avg 2 lines 74*0 61*0

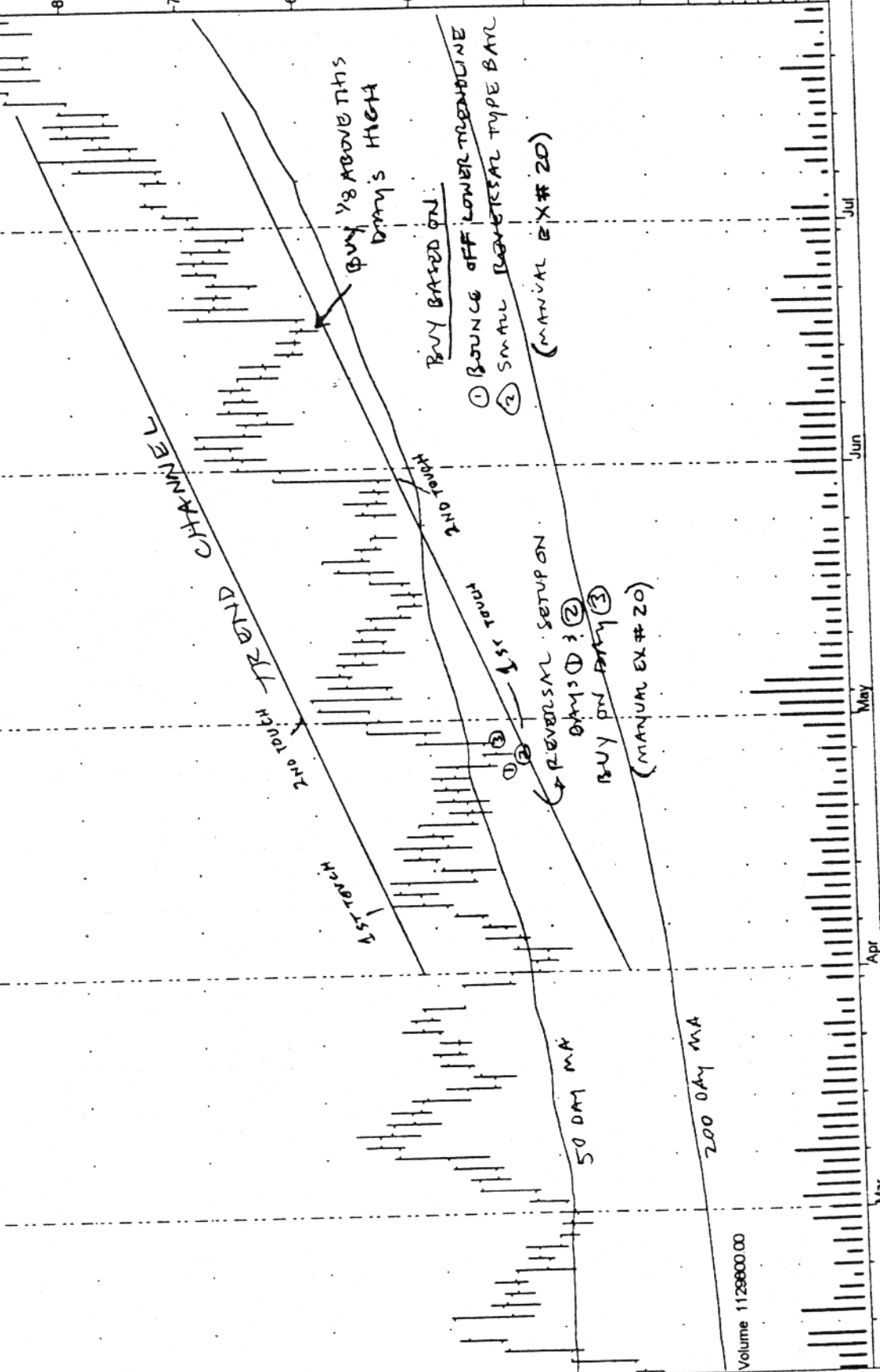
(OXHP) Oxford Health Plans I

02/11/97

07/25/97

-81*2 -75*0 -68*6 -62*4 -58*2 -50*0

4500000
3000000
1500000



Volume 1129800.00

Mar Apr May Jun Jul

Sanmina Corp-Daily 07/25/97 C=74.625 +1.625 O=73.000 H=75.500 L=72.375 Mov Avg 2 lines 61.568 52.521

10/23/96

(SANM) Sanmina Corp

07/25/97
75.000

70.000

65.000

60.000

55.000

50.000

45.000

40.000

35.000

2400000

1800000

600000

SHORT

TREND CHANNEL

STAY

BUY @ ABOVE THIS BAR

BUY BASED ON

- ① BOUNCE OFF LOWER TREND LINE
 - ② REVERSAL BAR SETUP EX # 20 IN MANUAL
 - ③ GOOD: PRICE SUPPORT OFTEN EXPECTED @ ROUND NUMBERS SUCH AS 50
- ACTUALLY HAD 2 REVERSAL BARS

2ND TOUCH

1ST TOUCH

50 DAY MA

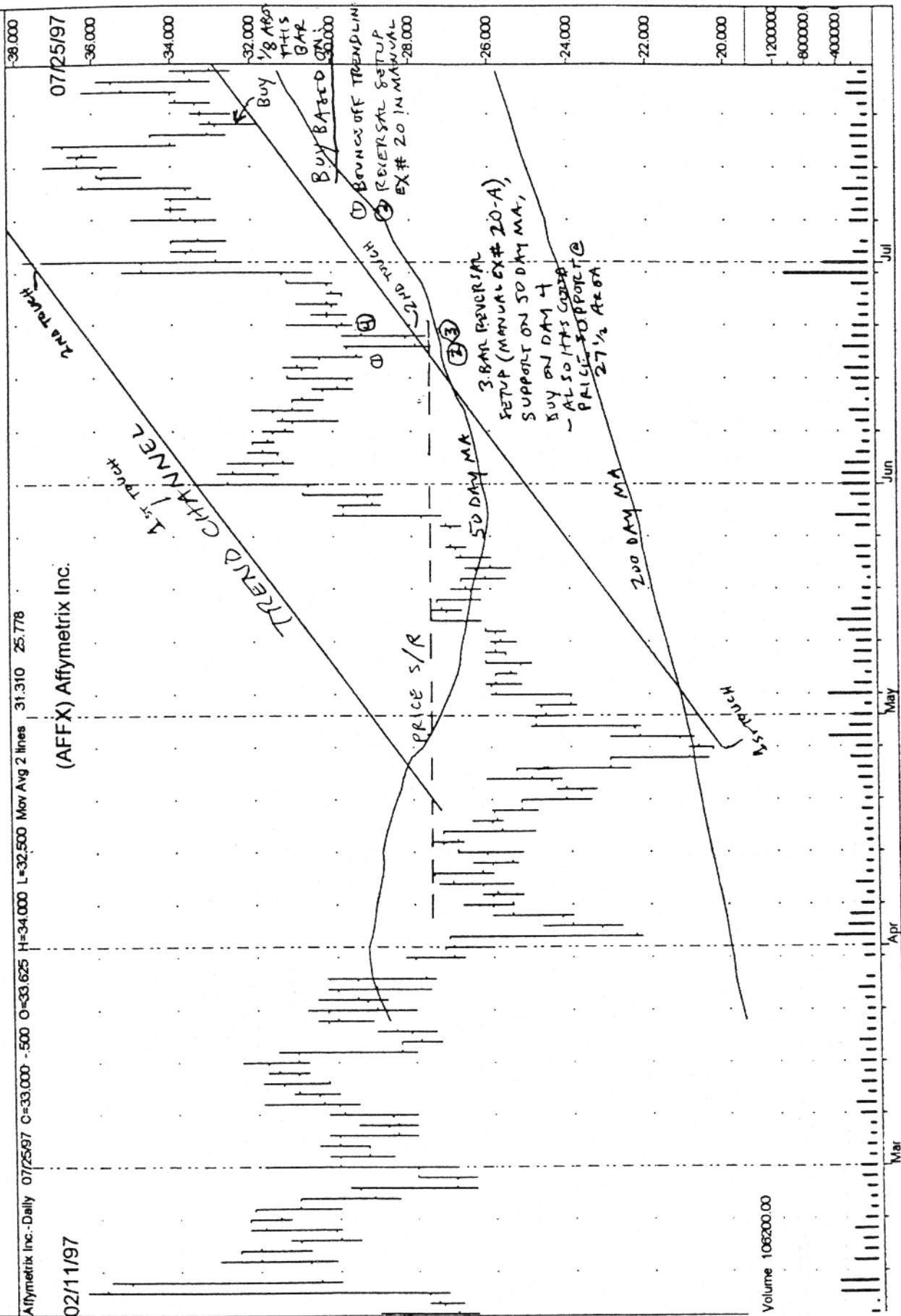
200 DAY MA

Volume 363700.00

Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul

Affymetrix Inc. - Daily 07/25/97 C=33,000 O=33,625 H=34,000 L=32,500 Mov Avg 2 lines 31.310 25.778

(AFFX) Affymetrix Inc.



02/11/97

07/25/97

Volume 106200.00

Mar Apr May Jun Jul

Dura Pharmaceuticals-Daily 07/25/97 C=39.250 O=39.750 H=40.250 L=39.125 Mov Avg 1 line 41.092

(DURA) Dura Pharmaceuticals

09/30/96

03/14/97

DOWNTREND LINE

SELL 1/8 BELOW THIS BAR

PRICE \$/R

SELL BASED ON:

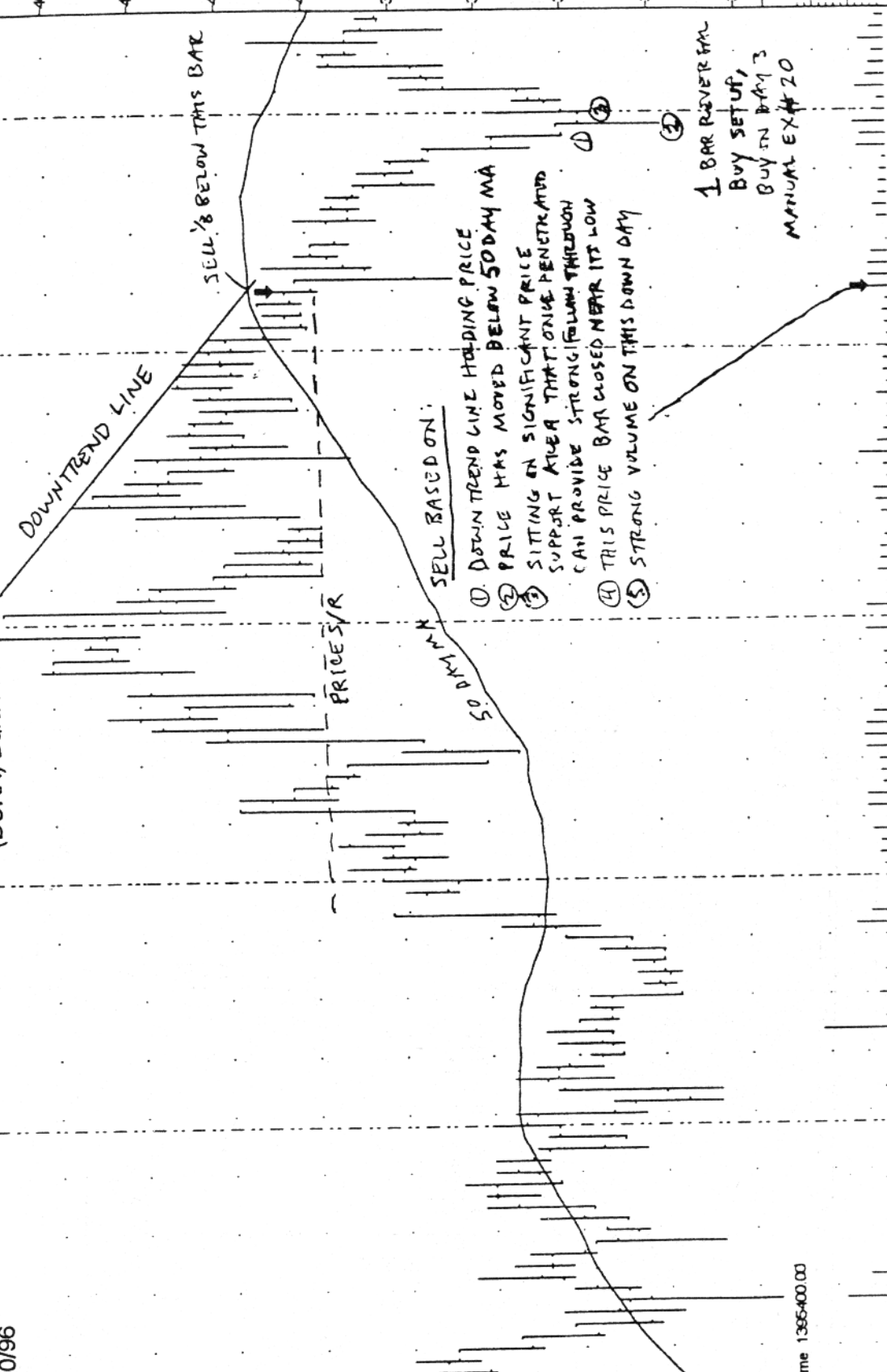
- ① DOWNTREND LINE HOLDING PRICE
- ② PRICE HAS MOVED BELOW 50 DAY MA
- ③ SITTING IN SIGNIFICANT PRICE SUPPORT AREA THAT ONCE PENETRATED CAN PROVIDE STRONG FOLLOW THROUGH
- ④ THIS PRICE BAR CLOSED NEAR ITS LOW
- ⑤ STRONG VOLUME ON THIS DOWN DAY

1 BAR REVER FAL
 BUY SETUP,
 BUY IN DAY 3
 MANUAL EX # 20

Volume 1365400.00

Oct Nov Dec 97 Jan Feb Mar

48,000 46,000 44,000 42,000 40,000 38,000 36,000 34,000 32,000 30,000 200,000 100,000



Ess Technology Inc-Daily 07/25/97 C=15.188 +.625 O=14.563 H=15.500 L=14.438 Mov Avg 1 line 14.190

10/08/96

(ESST) Ess Technology Inc

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34,000

32,000

30,000

28,000

26,000

24,000

22,000

20,000

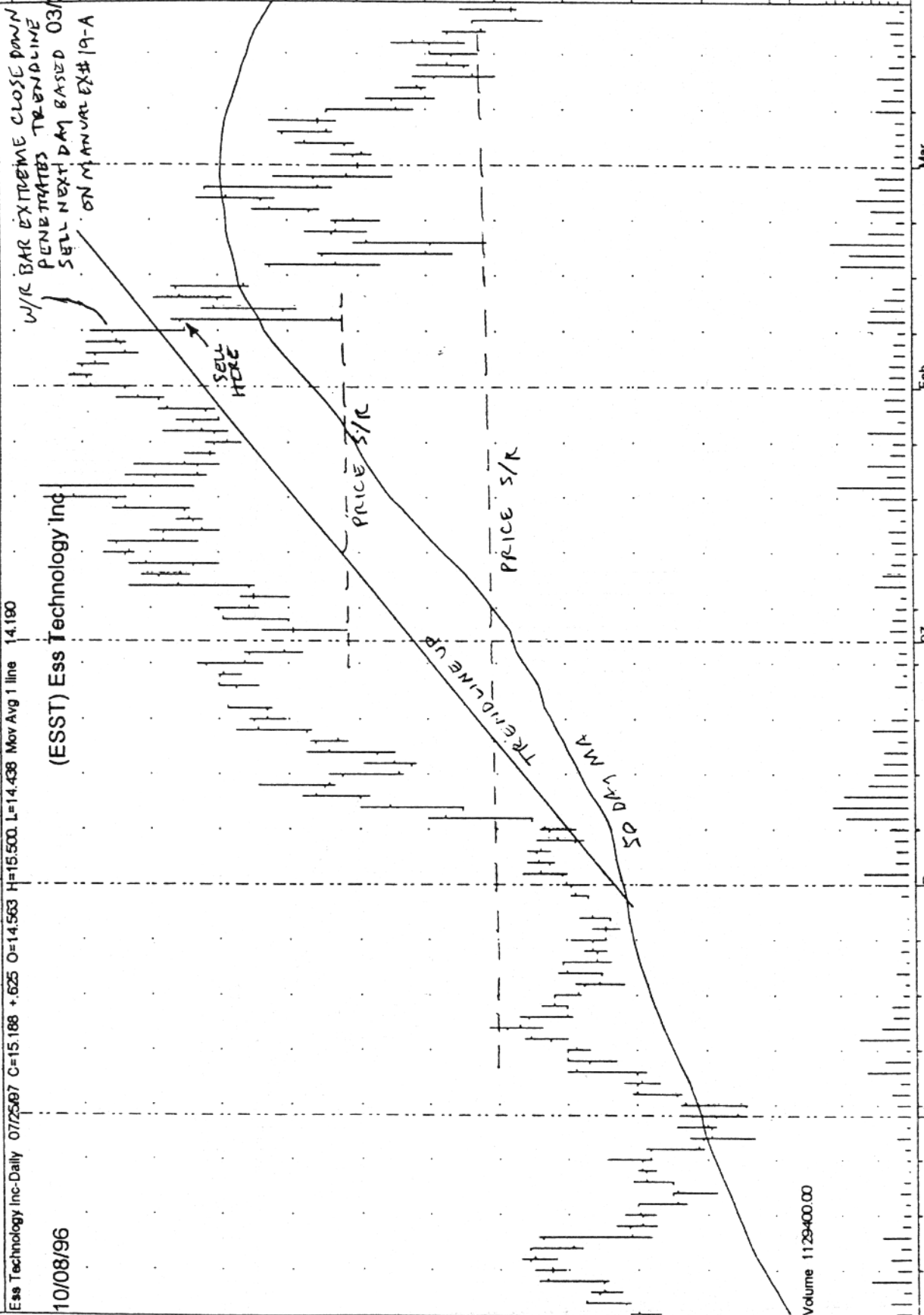
18,000

16,000

14,000

4,000,000

2,000,000



Volume 1129400.00

Mar

Feb

97

Dec

Nov

Kulicke & Soffa Inds-Daily 07/25/97 C=39.750 O=39.875 H=40.250 L=39.250 Mov Avg 1 line 32,978

10/07/96

(KLIC) Kulicke & Soffa Inds

03/21/97

PRICE RESISTANCE

PRICE S/R

50 DAY MA

POTENTIAL BUY ON THIS DAY

BUY ON THIS DAY

① REVERSAL BAR

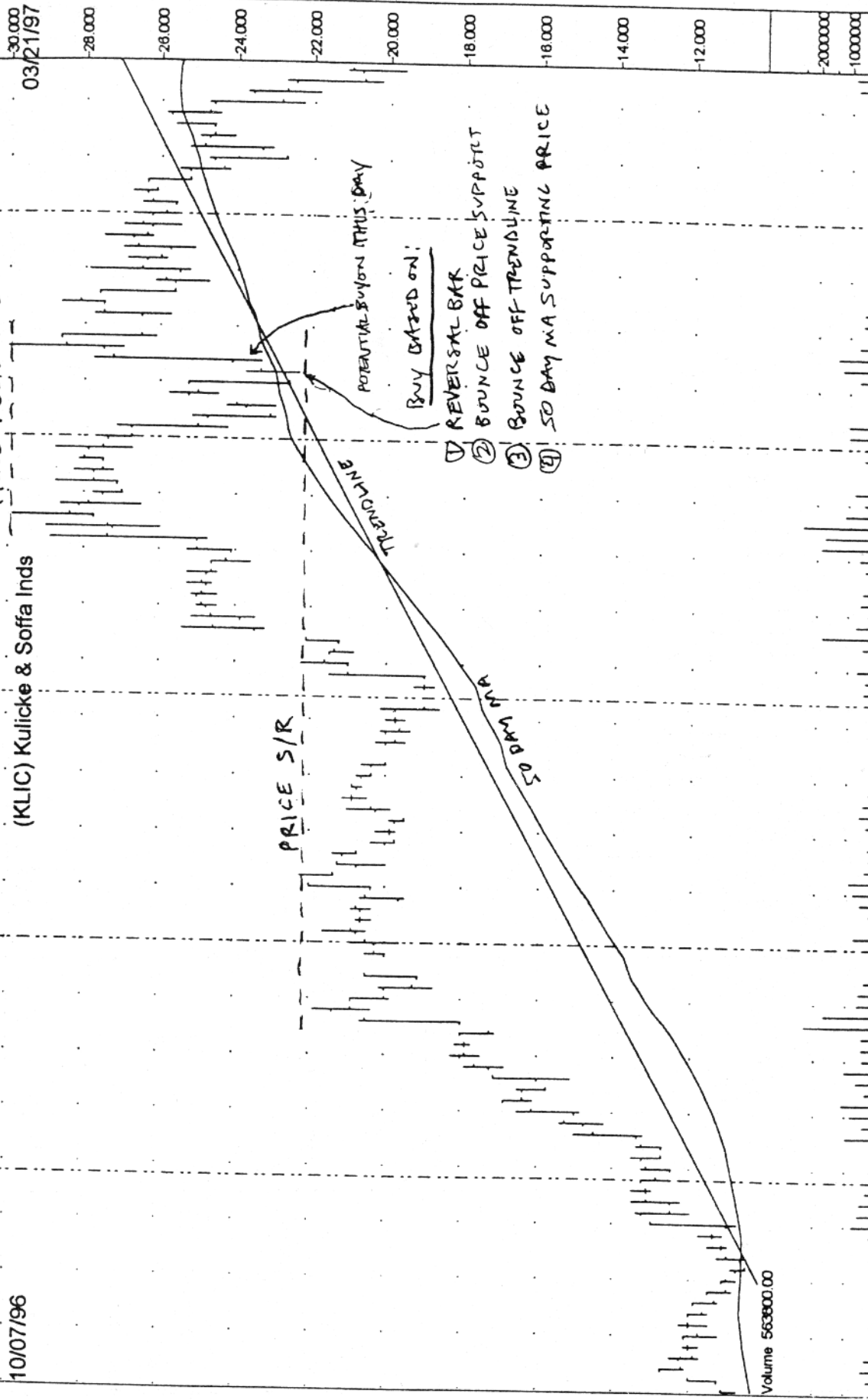
② BOUNCE OFF PRICE SUPPORT

③ BOUNCE OFF TRENDLINE

④ 50 DAY MA SUPPORTING PRICE

Volume 563800.00

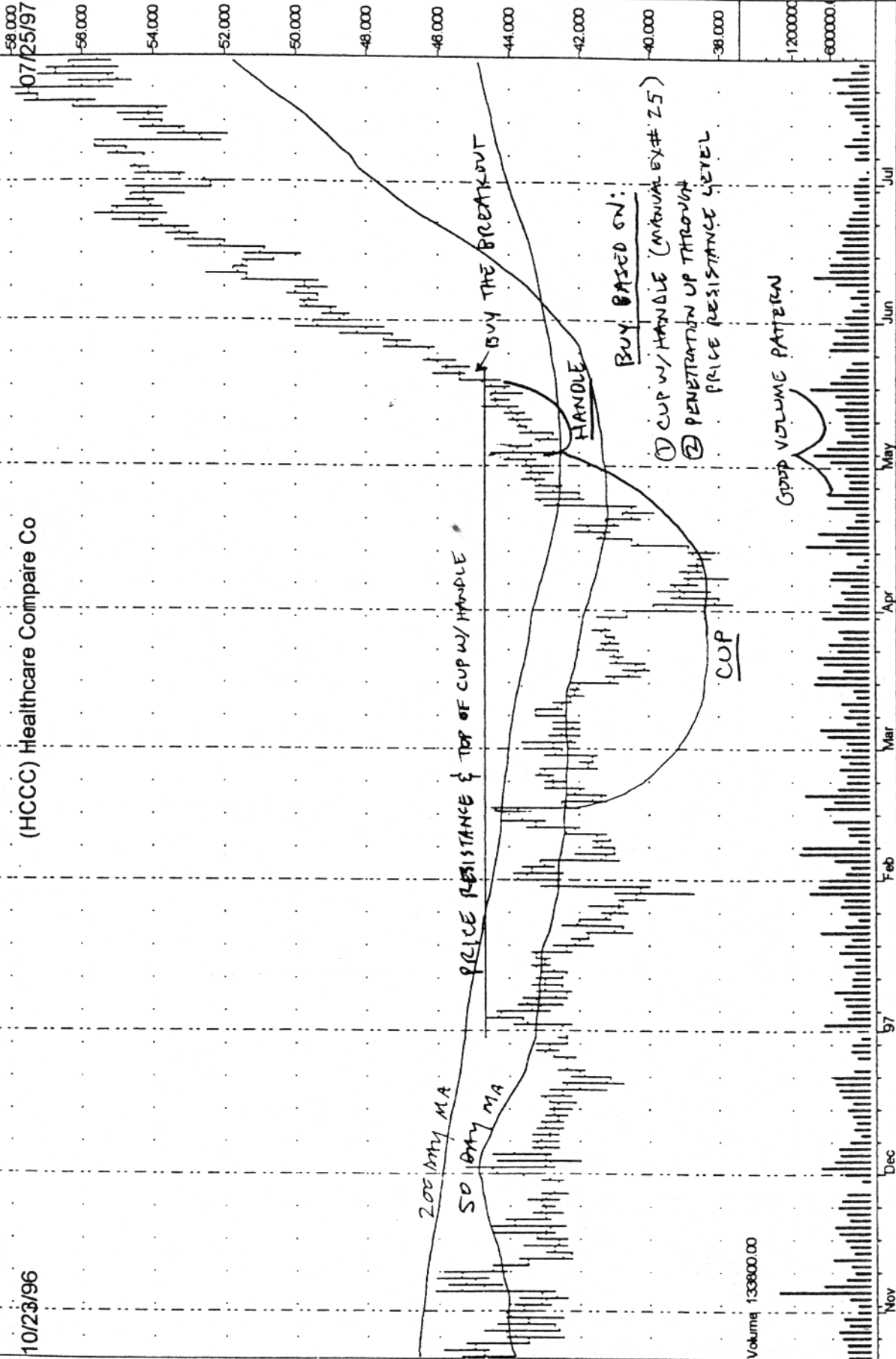
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(HCCC) Healthcare Compare Co

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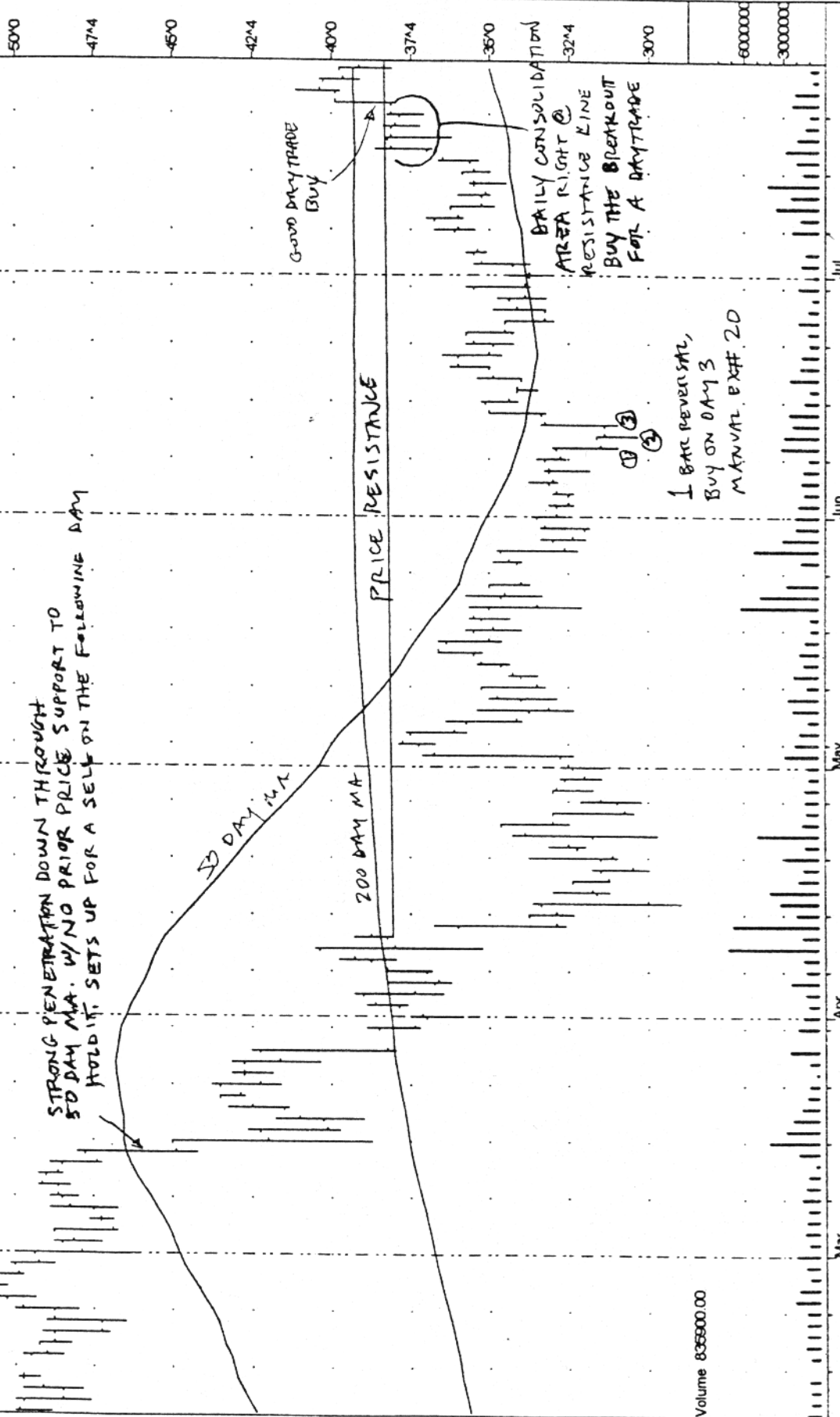


Volume 1338000.00

02/11/97

(BGEN) Biogen Inc

07/25/97



STRONG PENETRATION DOWN THROUGH 50 DAY MA. W/ NO PRIOR PRICE SUPPORT TO HOLD IT SETS UP FOR A SELL ON THE FOLLOWING DAY

C-Cube Microsystems I-Daily 07/25/97 C=23.938 -1.187 Q=25.875 H=28.000 L=23.375 Mov Avg 2 lines 19.827 30.556

02/11/97

(CUBE) C-Cube Microsystems I

07/25/97

200 DAY MA

50 DAY MA

A SIGNIFICANT PRICE S/R LEVEL
AND A CUP W/ HANDLE PATTERN COMBINE
TO SHOW THE POWER OF A BREAKOUT BEYOND
THIS AREA

BUY
HERE

W/R BAR EXTREME CLOSE
SETS UP FOR A BUY ON THE
FOLLOWING DAY
MANUAL EX # 19-B

POSSIBLE
BUY AREA

VERY SIGNIFICANT PRICE S/R LEVEL

Volume 2543500.00

GOOD PATTERN
BUY SETUP - BUY ON DAY (3)
MANUAL EX # 20

CUP

HANDLE

Mar

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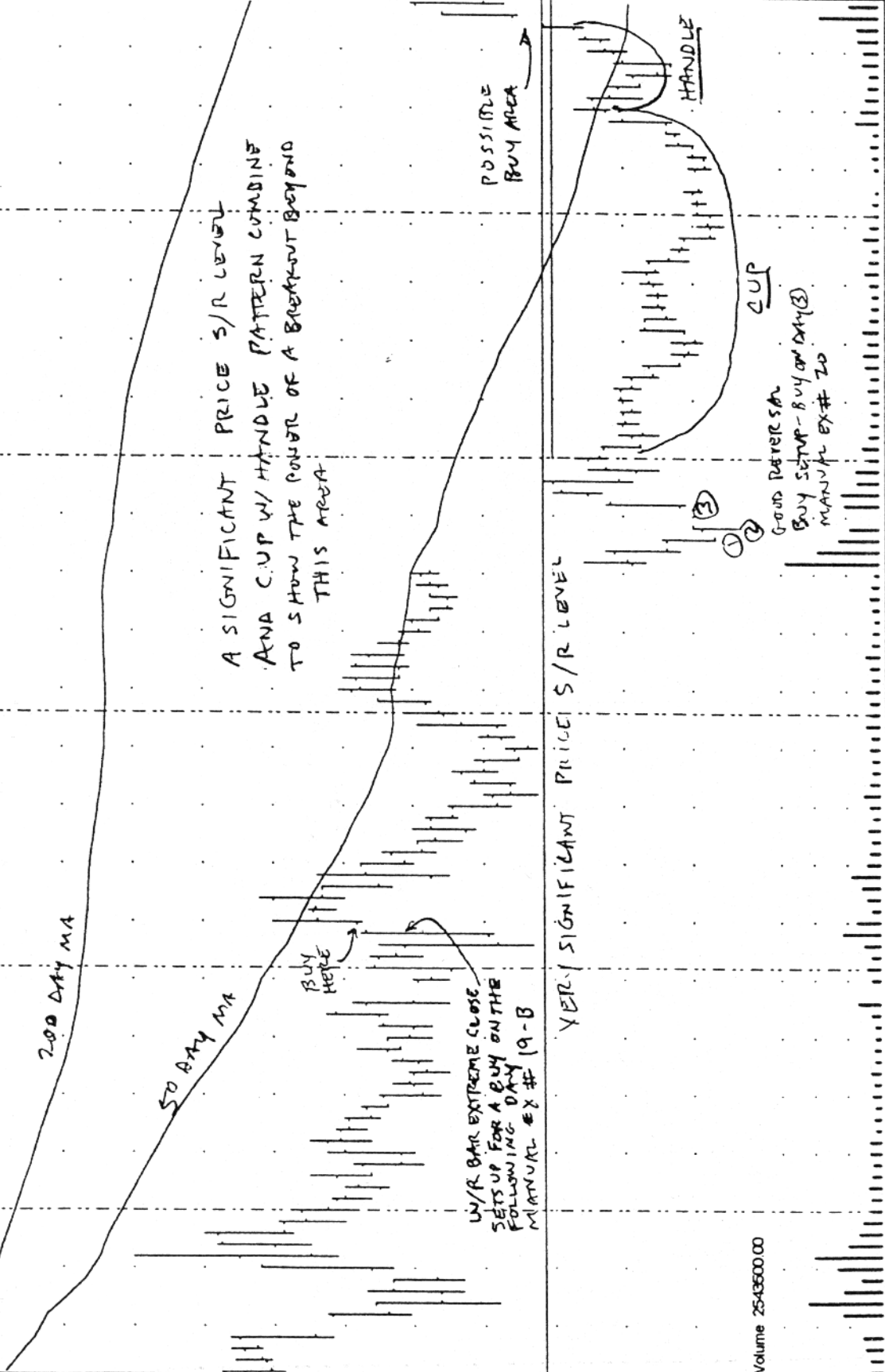
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First Tenn Natl Corp-Daily 07/25/97 C=51.063 O=51.375 H=51.875 L=50.750 Mov Avg 2 lines 47.646 42.373

02/11/97

(FTEN) First Tenn Natl Corp

07/25/97

SIGNIFICANT PRICE RESISTANCE LINE

BUY HERE OFFER

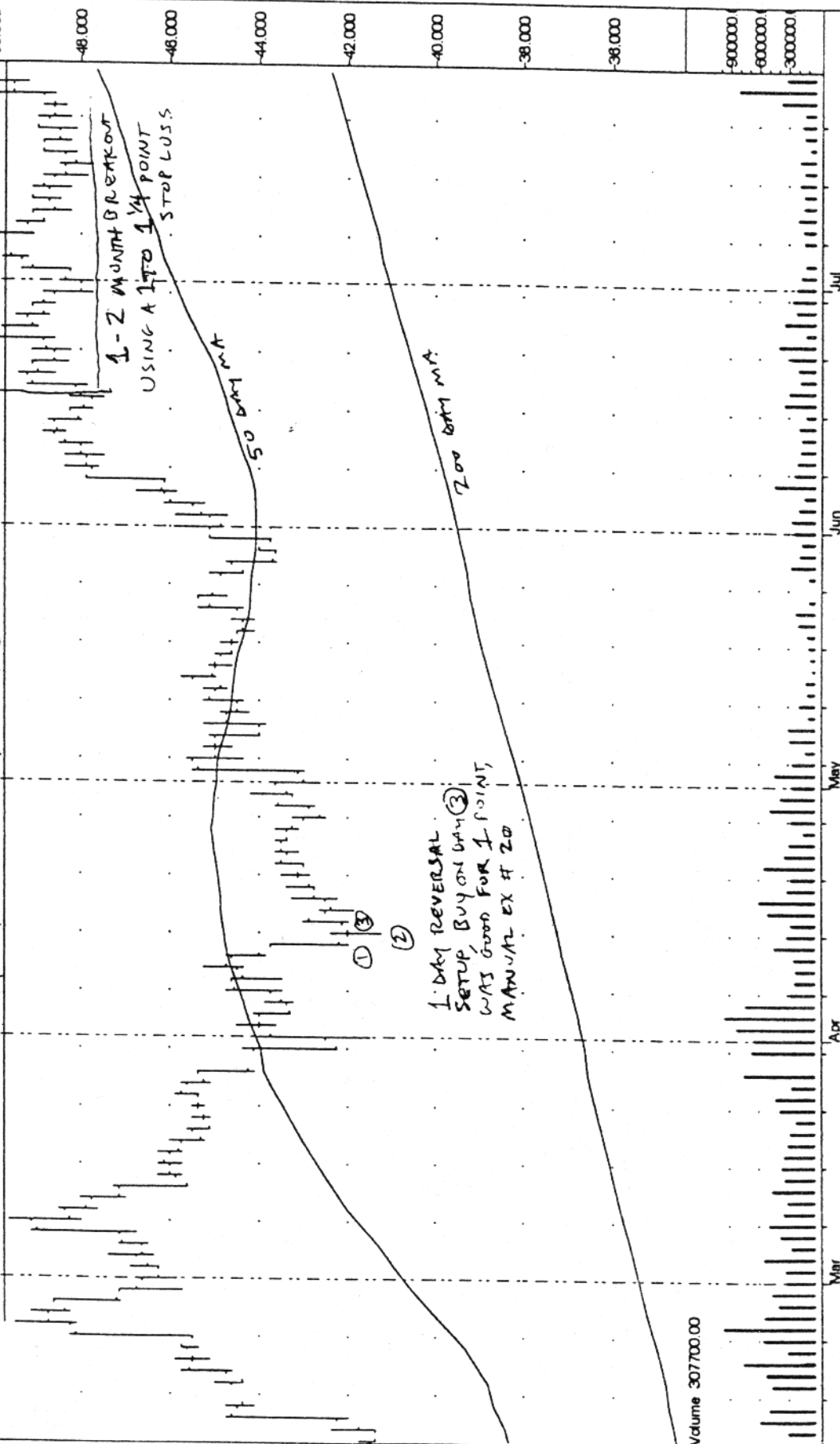
1-2 MONTH BREAKOUT
USING A 1/20 1/4 POINT
STOP LOSS.

50 DAY MA

200 DAY MA

1. DAY REVERSAL
SETUP, BUY ON DAY ③
WAS GOOD FOR 1 POINT,
MANUAL EX # 20

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Volume 307700.00

Mar Apr May Jun Jul

(AGPH) Agouron Pharmaceutica

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← 2 SUCCESSIVE REVERSAL BAR
SELL SETUPS, 5 BELLMAN DAYS ③
MANUAL EX # 20

BUY TOMORROW ON A BREAKOUT UP

CUP W/HANDLE RESISTANCE AREA

CUP

HANDLE

MANUAL EX # 25

50 DAY MA

200 DAY MA

* ALSO NOTICE HOW PRICE IN JULY HELD @ THE 50-DAY MA SITTING STRONG

07/25/97

Mar Apr May Jun Jul

02/11/97

(ASND) Ascend Communications

07/25/97

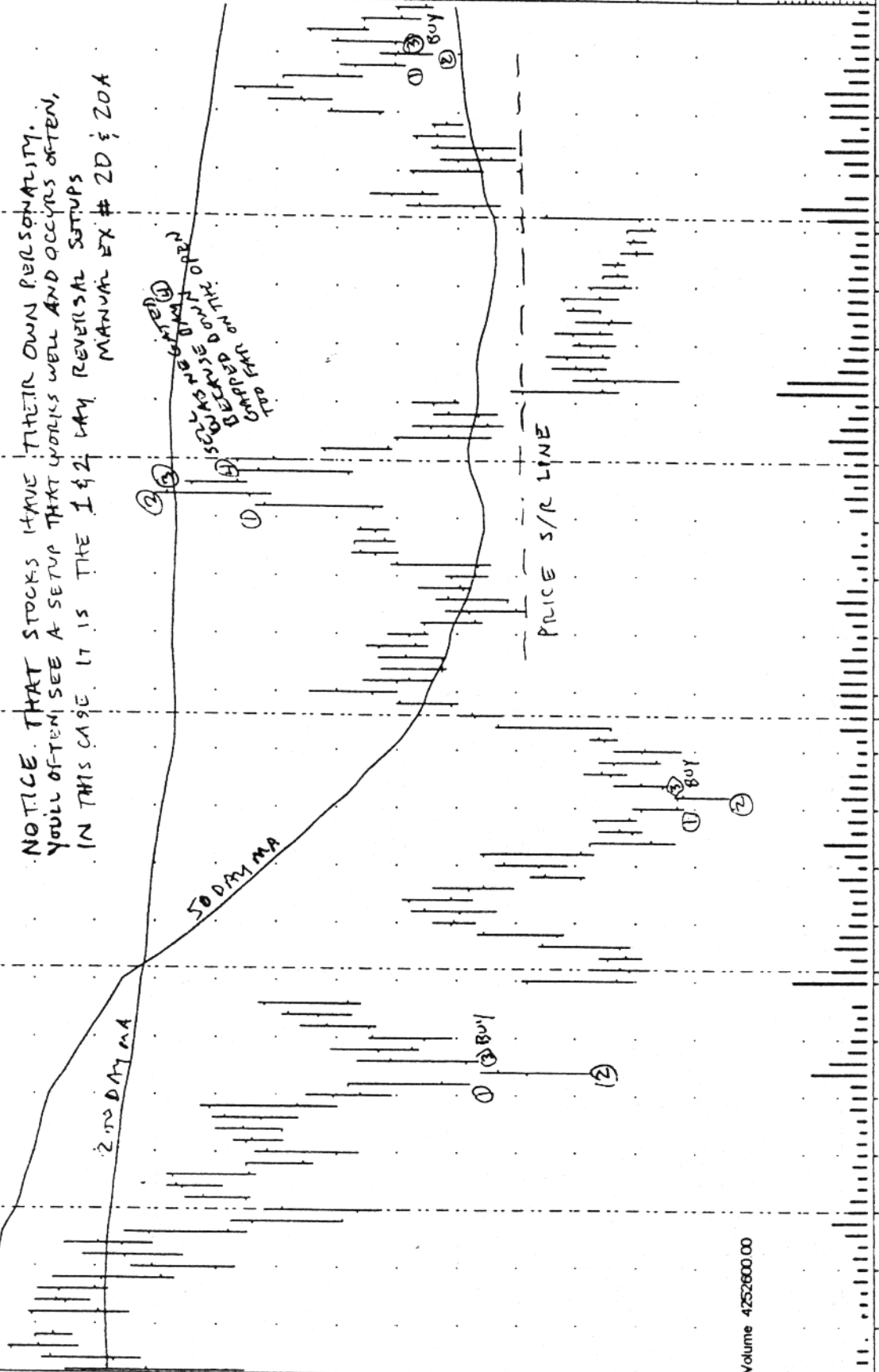
NOTICE THAT STOCKS HAVE THEIR OWN PERSONALITY. YOU'LL OFTEN SEE A SETUP THAT WORKS WELL AND OCCURS OFTEN, IN THIS CASE IT IS THE 1 & 2 DAY REVERSAL SETUPS MANUAL EX # 2D & 20A

200 DAY MA

50 DAY MA

④ SLOWLY RISE & THEN OPEN BECAUSE OF THE UNEXPECTED TOP

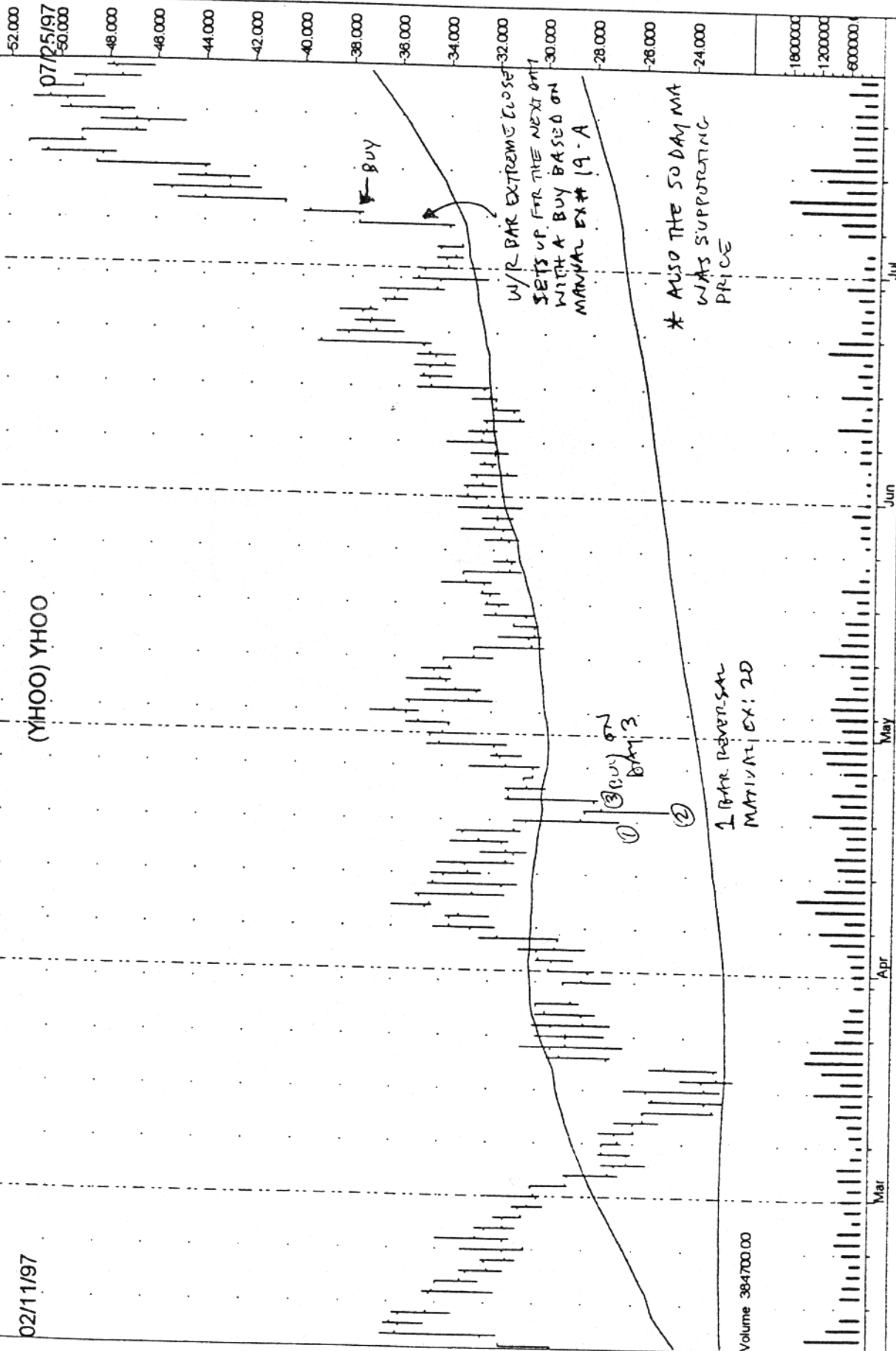
PRICE S/R LINE



YHOO-Daily 07/25/97 C=47.875 +.375 O=47.750 H=48.125 L=46.188 Mov Avg 2 lines 37.292 28.685

02/11/97

(YHOO) YHOO



Volume 384700.00

Mar Apr May Jun Jul

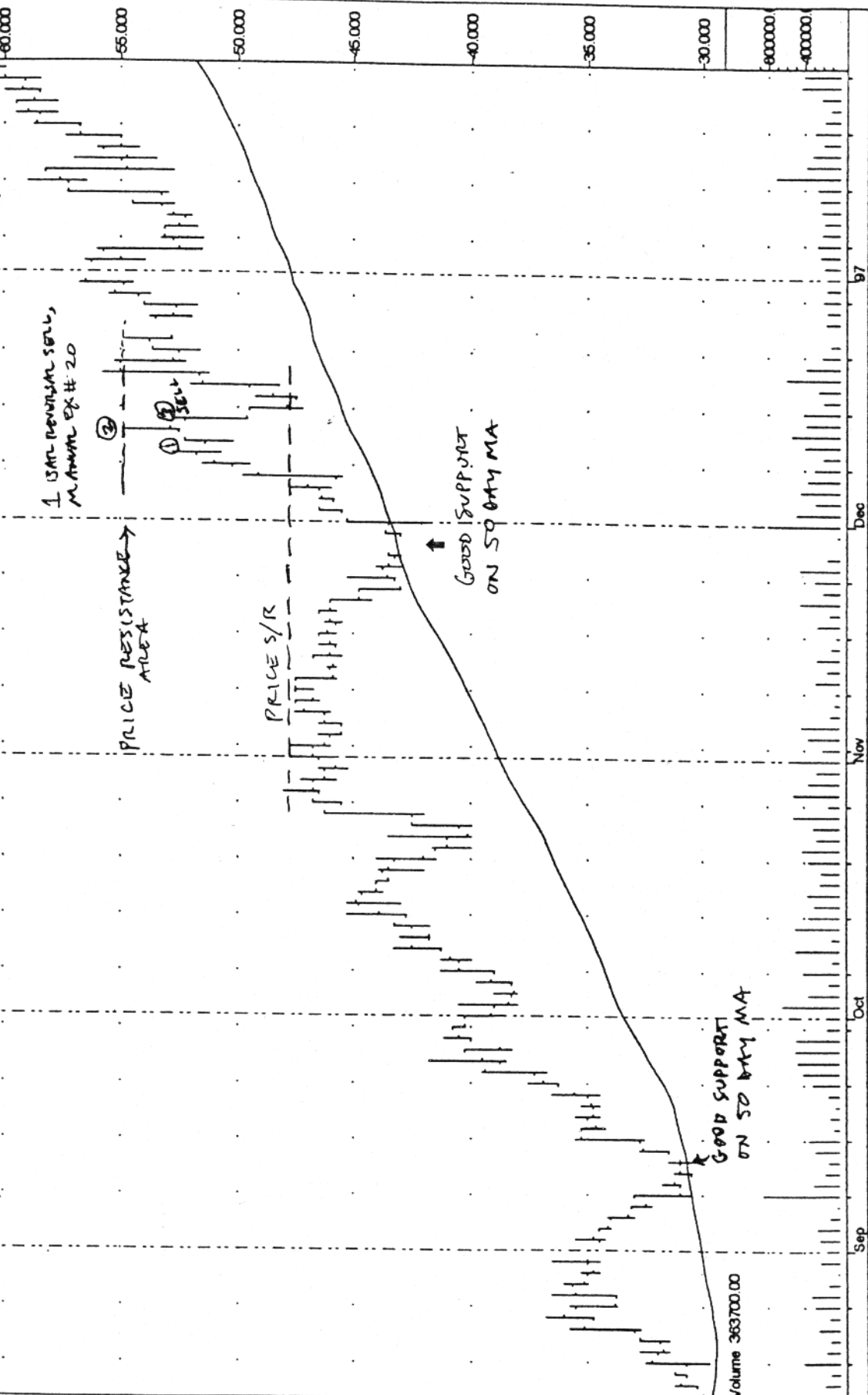
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Sanmina Corp-Daily 07/25/97 C=74.625 +1.625 O=73.000 H=75.500 L=72.375 Mov Avg 1 line 61.565

08/14/96

(SANM) Sanmina Corp

01/28/97



1 SAN REVERSAL SELL,
MATHW EX # 20

PRICE RESISTANCE
AREA →

PRICE S/R

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GOOD SUPPORT
ON 50 DAY MA

GOOD SUPPORT
ON 50 DAY MA

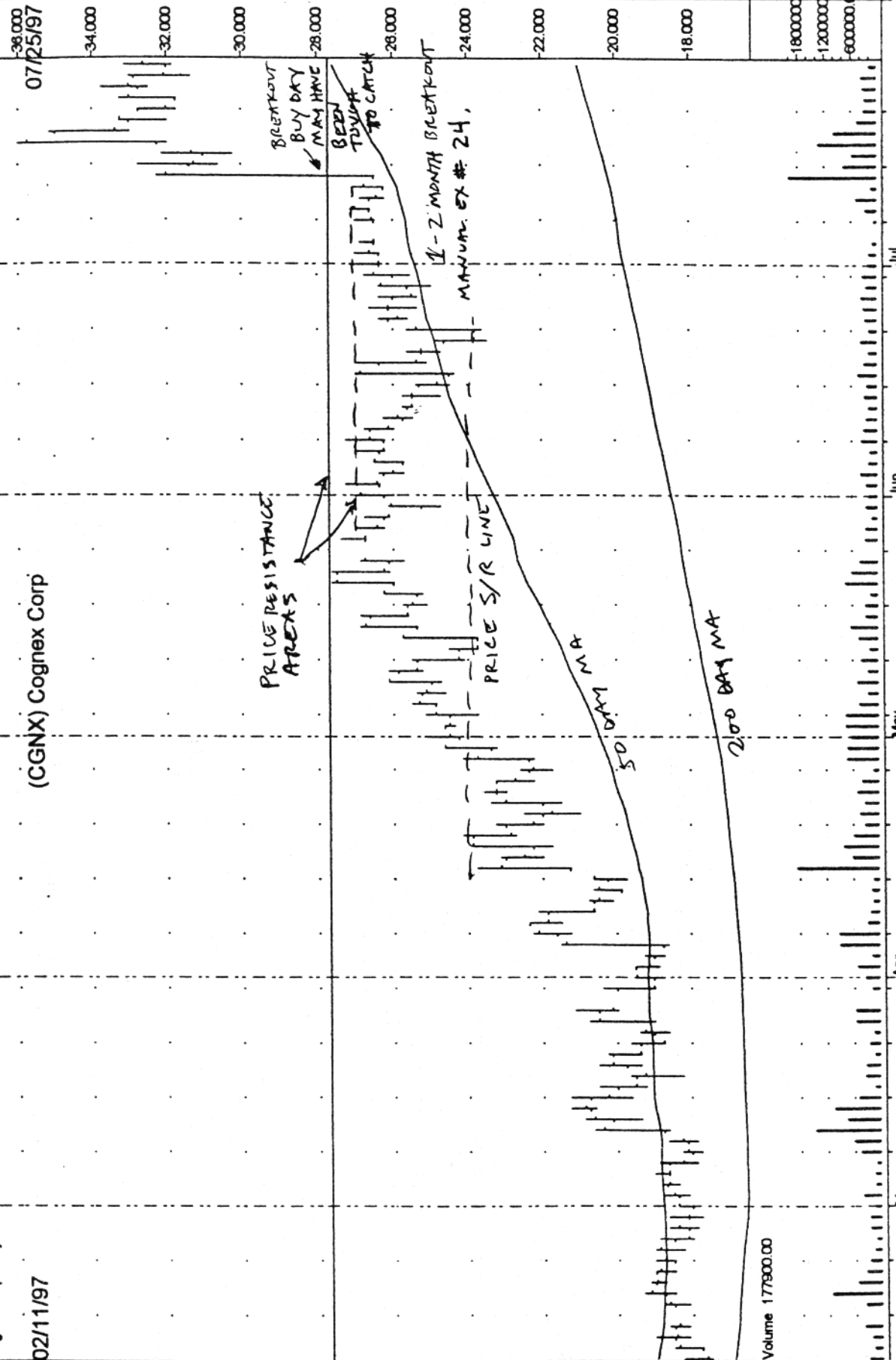
Volume 363700.00

Sep Oct Nov Dec 97

Cognex Corp-Daily 07/25/97 C=32.825 +.562 O=32.000 H=33.125 L=31.875 Mov Avg 2 lines 27.597 21.007

(CGNX) Cognex Corp

02/11/97



Volume 177900.00

Mar Apr May Jun Jul

Chips & Technologies-Daily 072597 C=140 +8 O=131 H=141 L=124 Mov Avg 2 lines 11'0 14'1

02/11/97

(CHPS) Chips & Technologies

07/25/97

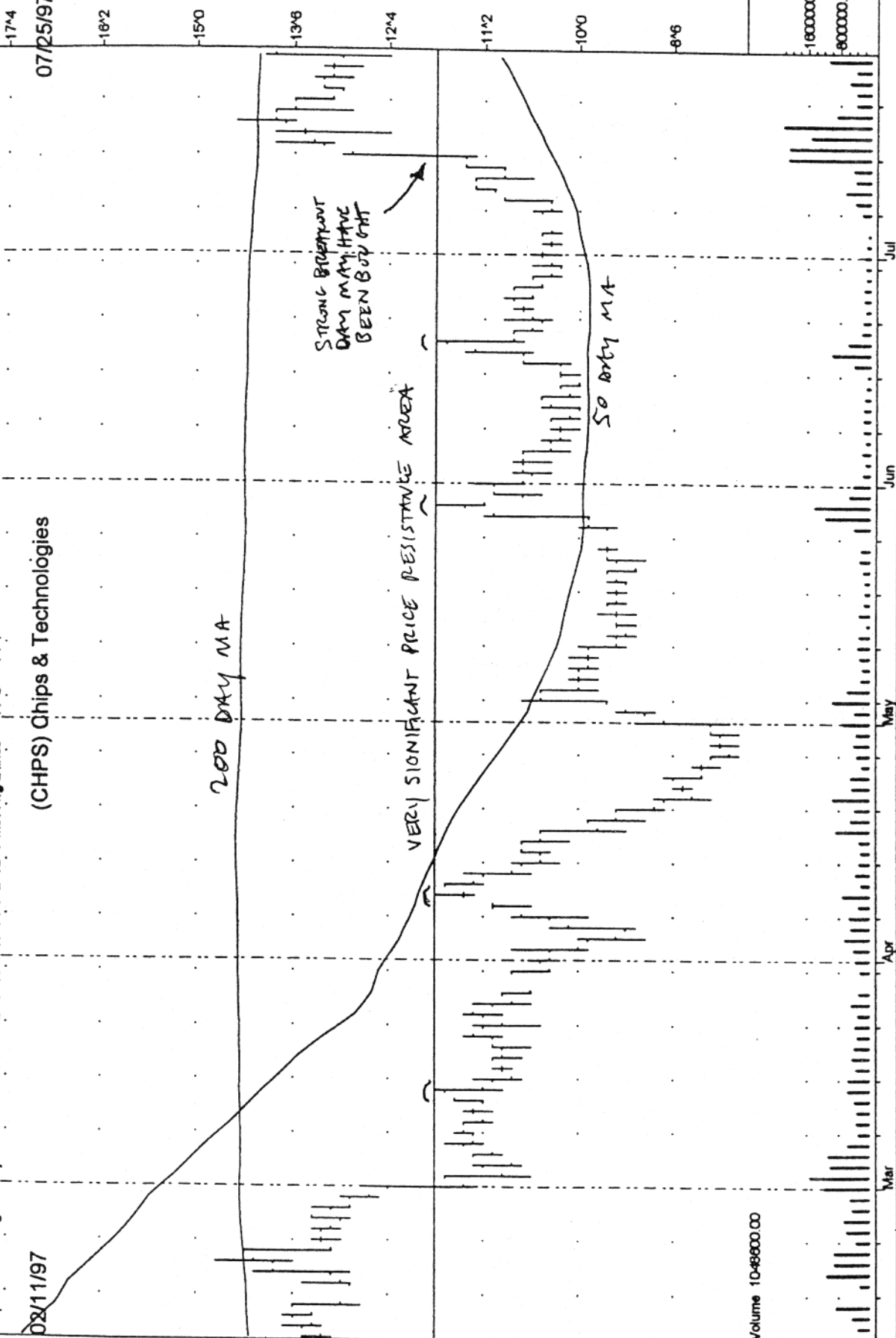
200 DAY MA

VERY SIGNIFICANT PRICE RESISTANCE AREA

STRONG BREAKDOWN DAY MAY HAVE BEEN BUY GHT

50 DAY MA

Volume 1046600.00



Mar Apr May Jun Jul

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Electronic Arts Inc-Daily 07/25/97 C=367 -1 O=367 H=360 L=353 Mov Avg 2 lines 327 312

07/25/97

(ERTS) Electronic Arts Inc price resistance

02/11/97

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MANUAL EX # 20

1. BAR REVERSAL
SELL SETUP - SELL DAY 3

200 DAY MA

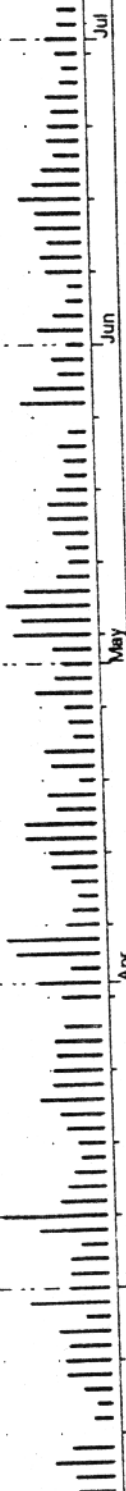
50 DAY MA

W/R BAR EXTREME CLOSE
SETUP - MANUAL EX # 19-D

BUY
HITLE - GOOD DAY TRADE

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Volume 848300.00



Jul

Jun

May

Apr

Hologic Inc-Daily 07/25/97 C=25.875 +1.000 O=25.000 H=26.000 L=24.875 Mov Avg 1 line 24.561

09/24/96

(HOLX) Hologic Inc

03/10/97

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-34.000
-32.000
-30.000
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-20.000

Volume 226100.00

PRICE S/R LEVEL

50 DAY MA

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Nov

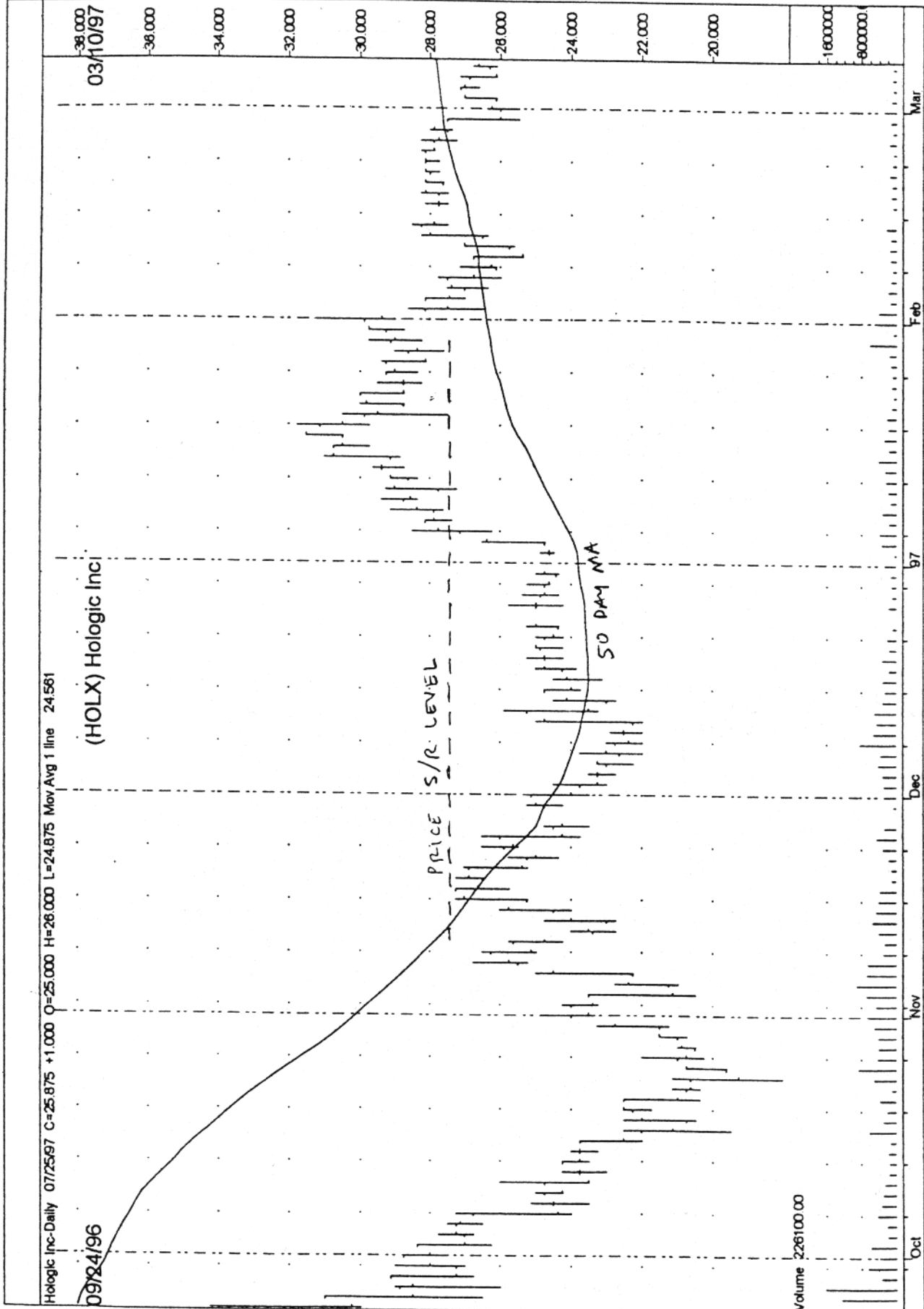
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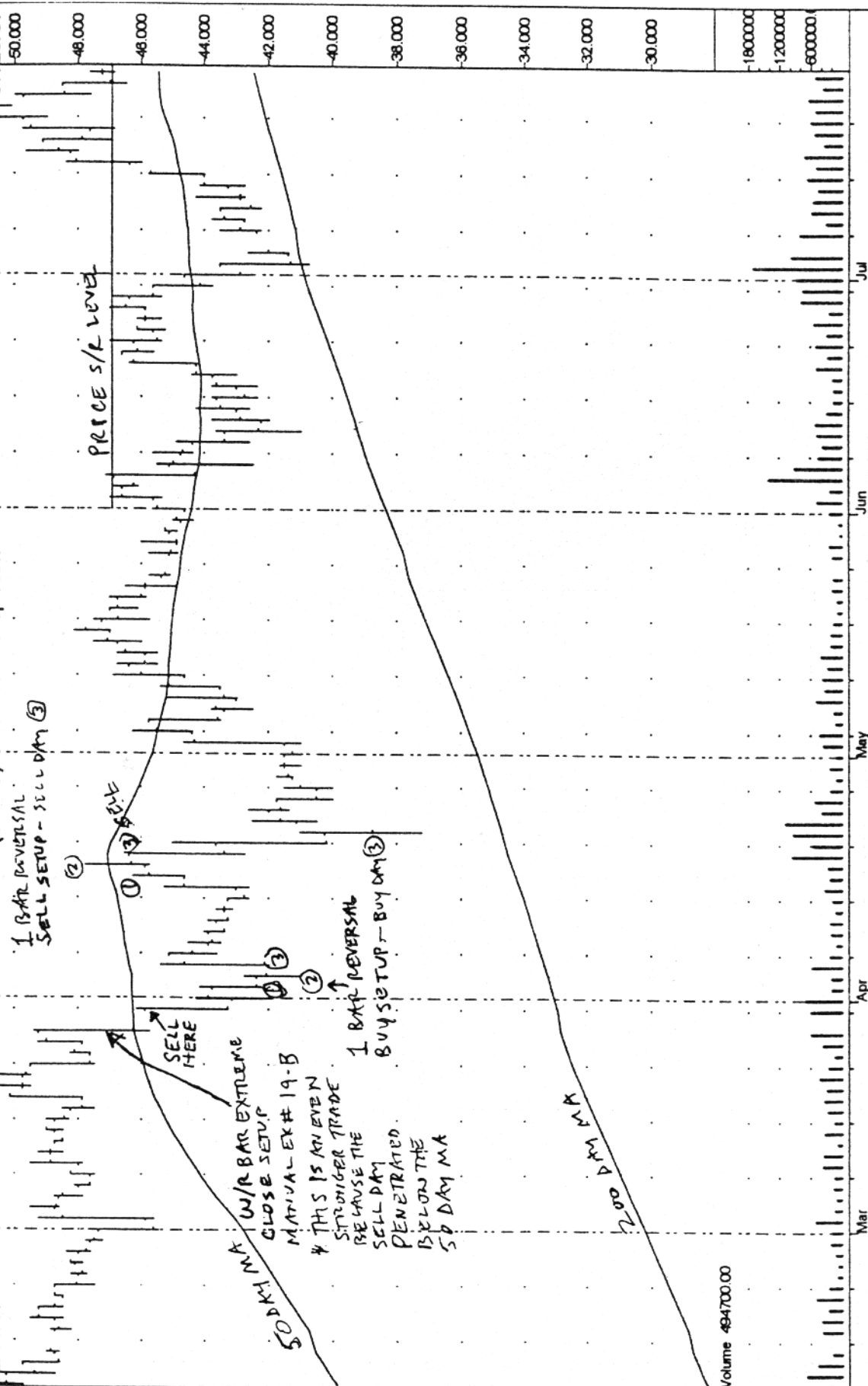
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02/11/97

(SAMC) Samsprite Corp New SIGNIFICANT PRICE RESISTANCE LEVEL

07/25/97



1 BAR REVERSAL SELL SETUP - SELL DAY 3

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1 BAR REVERSAL BUY SETUP - BUY DAY 3

SELL HERE

50 DAY MA W/R BAR EXTREME CLOSE SETUP

* THIS IS AN EVEN STRONGER TRADE BECAUSE THE SELL DAY PENETRATED BELOW THE 50 DAY MA

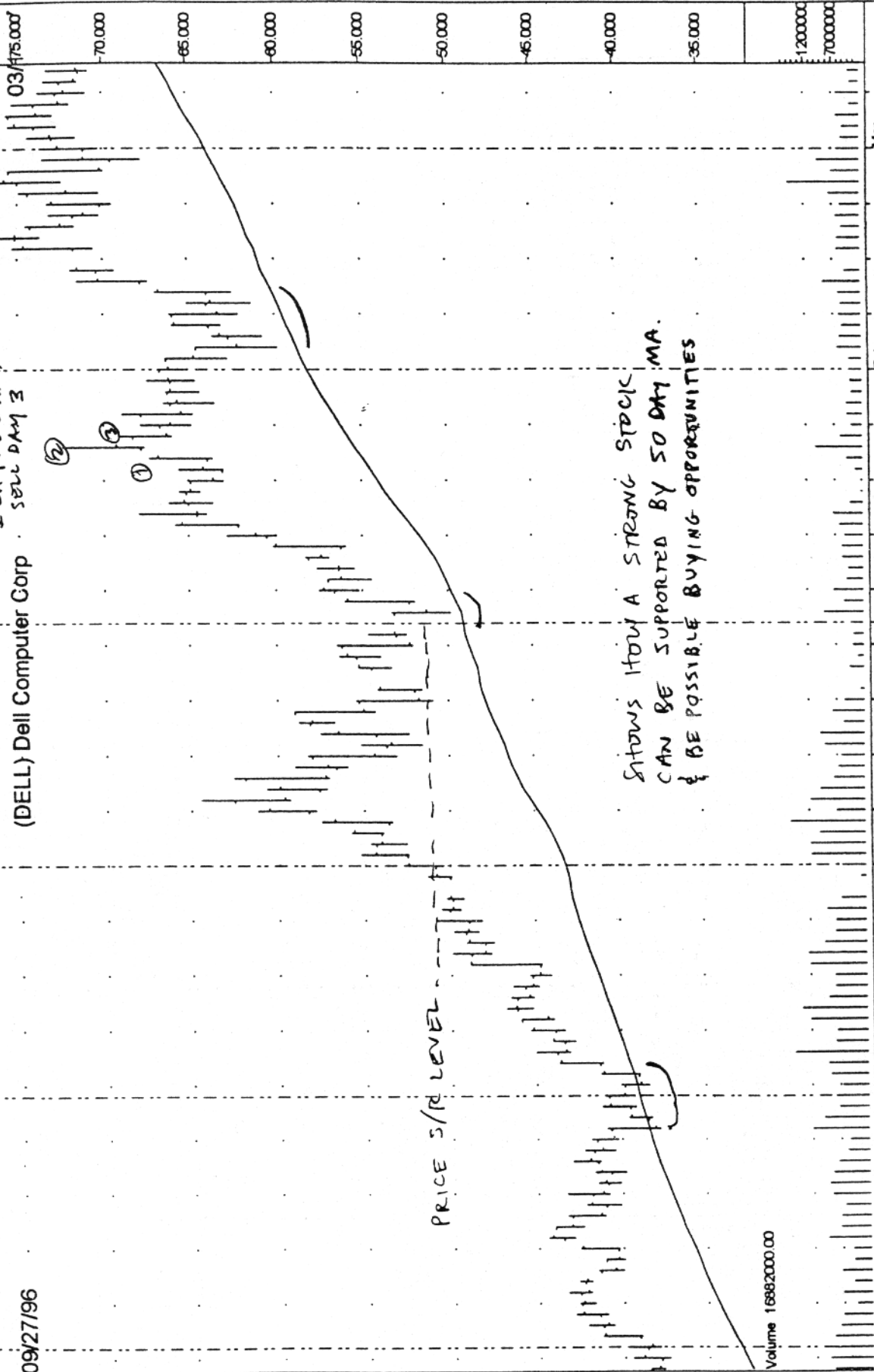
200 DAY MA

Dell Computer Corp-Daily 07/25/97 C=163.000 -7.000 O=173.125 H=173.500 L=160.000 Mov Avg 1 line 122.302

(DELL) Dell Computer Corp

1 DAY REVERSAL,
SELL DAY 3

09/27/96



Volume 16862000.00

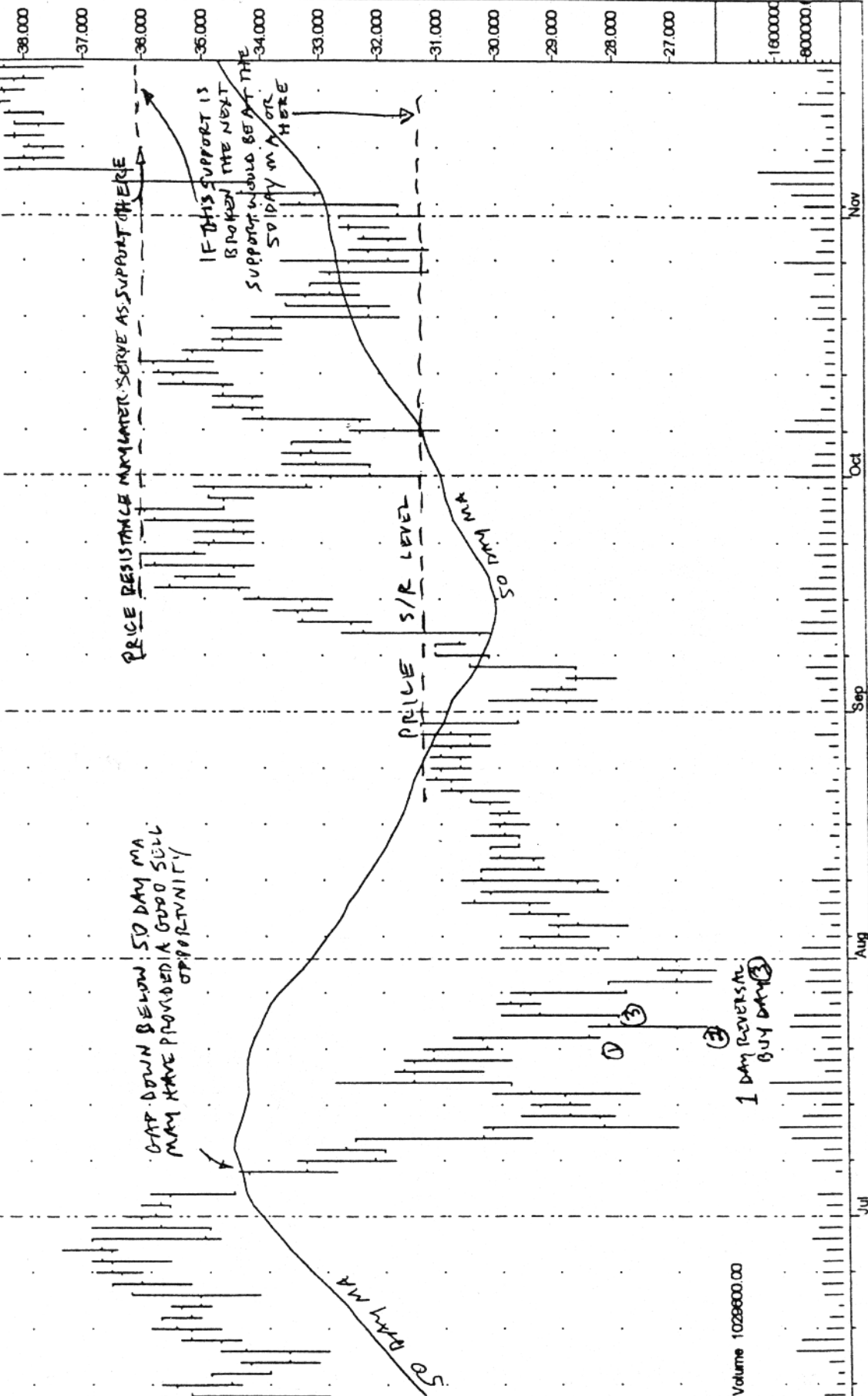
Mar Feb Dec Nov

Andrew Corp-Daily 07/25/97 C=27.281 -0.344 O=28.000 H=28.500 L=27.188 Mov Avg 1 line 27.506

06/07/96

(ANDW) Andrew Corp

11/29/95



PRICE RESISTANCE MAY LATER SERVE AS SUPPORT HERE

CAP DOWN BELOW 50 DAY MA MAY HAVE PROVIDED A GOOD SELL OPPORTUNITY

IF THIS SUPPORT IS BROKEN THE NEXT SUPPORT WOULD BE AT THE 34,000 SOLID MA OR HERE

PRICE S/R LEVEL

50 DAY MA HURT

1 DAY REVERSE BUY DAY

Volume 1028600.00

Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov

WORKSHEET

For nightly analysis

* Including worksheet KEY for “Day trades”
and “Swing trades”

Use the blank worksheet to write in stock symbols which fit under each category as described by the worksheet keys. The worksheet also has an area in the lower right hand corner to list stocks that have news or upcoming earnings. Space is also provided for stocks that you want to add to your ticker and stocks that you want to create a hedge (“box”) in the next day.

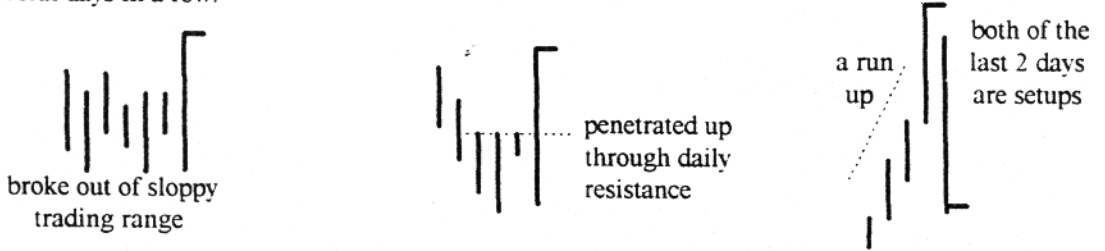
* Photocopy the blank worksheet and use it to help with market analysis for the next day

DAY TRADES

* KEY for the "Day trades" section of the nightly worksheet

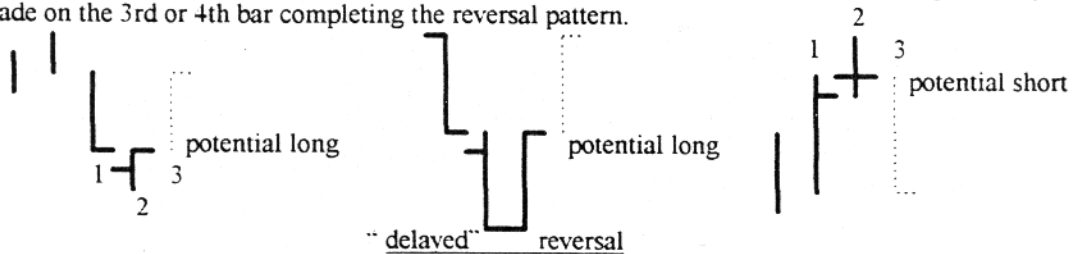
1) WIDE RANGE BAR W/ EXTREME CLOSE

This is a daily bar whose distance from high to low is greater than average for a particular stock. It also should have a close at or near either the high or low of the day. The open should typically be near the other end of the bar. This setup is best when the close has penetrated a support or resistance level or moved out of a sloppy trading range. It also works well after a strong run up or down for several days in a row.



2) POSSIBLE "REVERSAL" SETUPS (& Delayed Reversals)

This is a 2-3 bar setup where the most recent bar is a reversal type bar. This creates the possibility for a trade on the 3rd or 4th bar completing the reversal pattern.

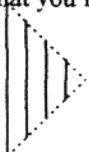



3) NEW HIGHS / LOWS (recent & long term)

This is a day where a stock closes very near or at an all time high, a 52 week high, or a more recent high (6 to 8 week) especially. out of daily consolidation. Also watch for Cup-With-Handle.

4) MISC.

This lists stocks that you may want to keep an eye on based on one or more of the following:

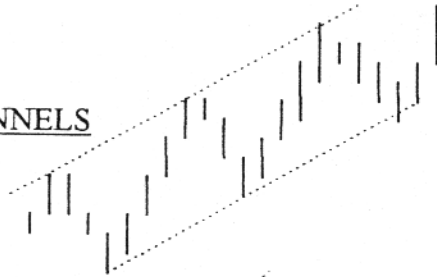
- 1) A "wedge"  or "flag"  or similar consolidation-type pattern may be forming.
- 2) A significant Support or Resistance price level has been broken, or the stock appears ready to break out of an S/R level...or conversely, an S/R level that appears it will hold.
- 3) A stock has had a strong run up or down for several days (usually including some W/R bars).
- 4) 50 or 200 day M.A. is holding price...or price has penetrated it.
- 5) Trend Channel providing S/R or possible trade setup.
- 6) A significant spike up in volume, or a strong gap (up or down) from the previous day, or recent increased volatility (a larger daily range from high to low for several days).

SWING TRADES

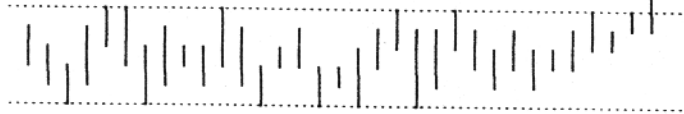
(trade setups for 2 to 5 day holds)

*KEY for the "Swing trade" section of the nightly worksheet

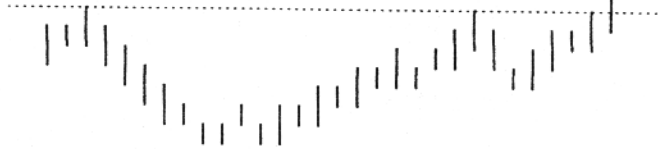
1) TREND CHANNELS



2) 1-2 MONTH BREAKOUTS



3) CUP W/ HANDLE



4) 50 & 200 DAY M.A.

be aware of stocks bouncing off their 50 day or 200 day moving averages. or a strong penetration of one of the averages - if you have a trade pattern setup, this may help confirm or avoid the trade

5) FAX SERVICES

2 of the best services around are:

- 1) THE PRISTINE DAY TRADER - internet address: www.pristine.com
- 2) TRADERS FAXLINE - call Mark at 561-743-6115

6) MISC.

DAY TRADES

1) W/R DAY, EXTREME CLOSE

2) REVERSAL SETUPS

3) NEW HI / LO's (recent & long term)

4) MISC.

SWING TRADES

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6) FAX SERVICE(S)

7) MISC.

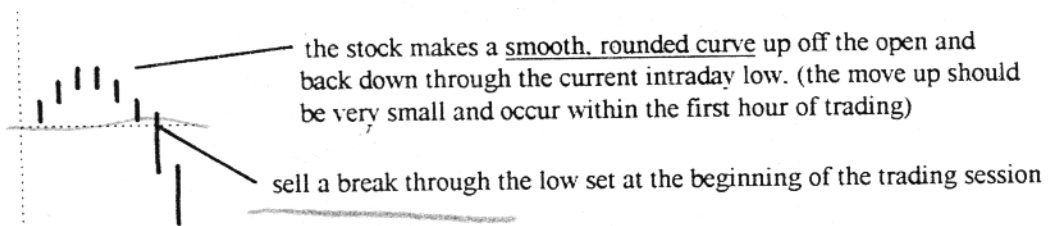
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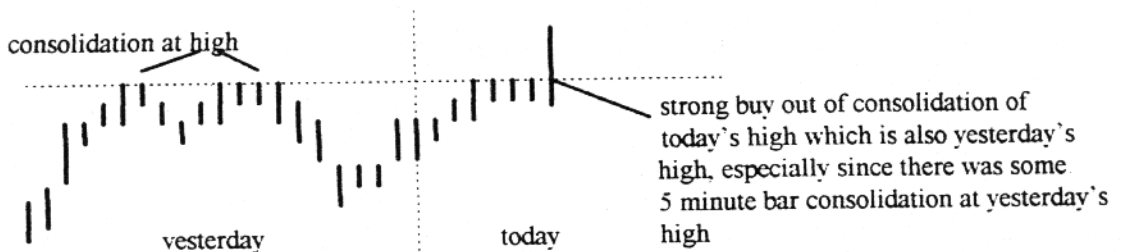
EXTRA TIPS AND TRADING IDEAS

This is simply a collection of a few other price pattern setups to watch for. Also, some additional tips about day trading are described to bolster your ability to find other trading opportunities to exploit.

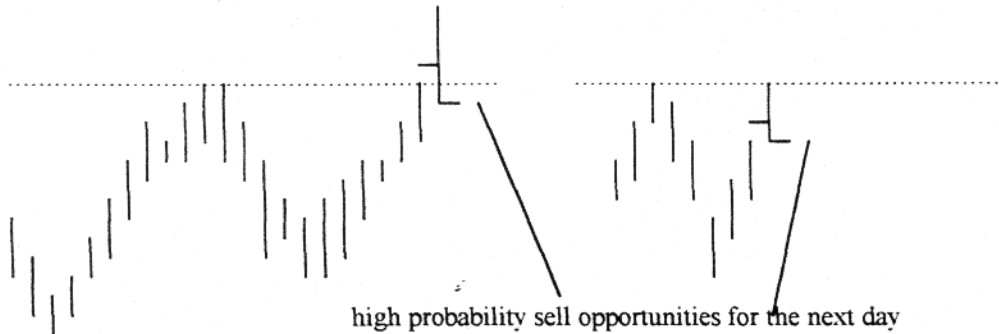
1) This is a 5 minute bar chart pattern that plays out within the first hour of trading and works especially well to the short side if the market index begins a strong, fast, morning sell-off. Also, if the market index gaps up strongly on the open and then begins a strong sell-off, this pattern can work even better. This setup is not as solid as a consolidation / breakout trade, but it may be considered. Look to the daily chart to make sure the stock is not in congestion and that there are no nearby price support levels that may halt the downward move.



2) This is a 5 minute bar consolidation at the high of today that is also the high of yesterday. Although shown earlier on some chart examples, I am emphasizing this setup because of its strength. The sell setup is consolidation at the low of today that is also the low of yesterday. Here is an example of a buy setup:

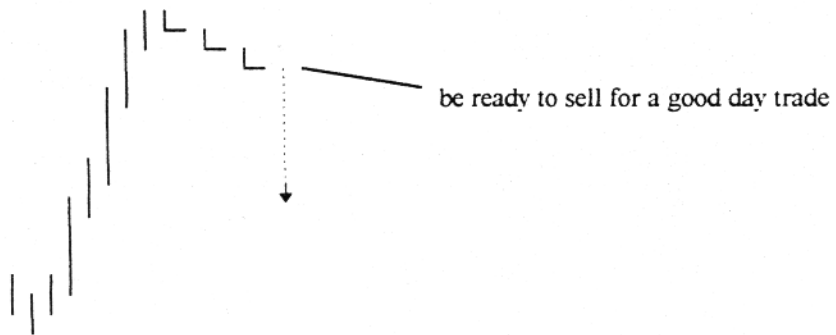


3) A daily reversal bar at a recent support or resistance price level signals an even stronger setup of the reversal bar patterns described in the 1 to 3 daily bar setups.



The above diagram was a daily reversal sell bar off of prior price resistance. The converse of the diagram would be true for a daily reversal buy setup that bounced off of a prior price support level.

4) If a stock has had a strong, quick run up on the daily chart (usually with some wide range days), it then may have several smaller range days that have successively lower lows with closes at or near their lows. When you see this be ready for a strong sell-off day.



6) Time of day - The best times of the day to trade are between 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. central standard time. This is when you have more volume and follow-through for the price setups in this manual. Trading primarily during these times enhances the odds of a successful trade. The middle of the day is often illiquid and the trade setups tend to not follow through as well.

7) Round price numbers - This refers to whole numbers like 33, 42, 17, etc. Price sometimes has a tendency to stall at round numbers. If you have consolidation at a round number that then breaks out beyond that price, you tend to see more follow-through. Of more importance are the tens such as 20, 40, 70 etc. Even more significant round numbers to be aware of are 50 and 100. These numbers tend to halt price, or if penetrated, price tends to follow through in the direction of the penetration. This is an added nuance to help with your day trading entry and exit decisions.

8) Price targets - Price targets are prices where you may want to go ahead and take profits as opposed to using the "wiggle". An example was shown in the 1 to 3 daily bar setups covering the reversal bar pattern. In the buy setup, if price reached the high of the first day of the setup then you might want to take your profits. Another example is if you have a good profit in a stock, and it has reached a daily support or resistance area. You may choose to "cut" out of the stock since it may not surpass the support or resistance price level. A third example is when you get a strong, fast price "spike" out of consolidation on the 5 minute bar chart that moves $3/4$ point or more. This is especially true if this takes place during the middle of the day. Often price will retrace more than the standard wiggle and stop you out for only a small profit or at break-even. Consider taking profit when a spike has stalled after a breakout. NOTE: This is not an excuse to avoid using the wiggle. This refers only to price spikes of roughly 1 point or more that take place within 5 to 10 minutes after the breakout. In most trades it is best to use the wiggle and be quick to take a loss and slow to take a profit.

9) Relative strength - If the overall market sells off strongly intraday, look for stocks that did not sell off with the market. They have strong "relative strength" when compared to the market. If the market begins to rally, these will be good buy candidates, look for a price pattern setup before entering. They will usually provide a good move up. The same is true if the market is moving up strongly and a stock stays at its low for the day. If the market begins to sell off, that stock has even higher odds of success as a short candidate. Make sure to enter any of these trades on a price pattern setup using the 5 minute bar chart.

10) Bad price fills / Mistakes - If you accidentally get filled at a price beyond what you wanted, or you immediately realize that you made a trade that wasn't based on a good setup (a mistake) then immediately exit the position at the best price that you can get. It is better to take the small loss on a trade that does not have the odds of success behind it. If you wait and hope, it will usually cost you a bigger loss. Solve the problem by exiting the trade and then move on.

11) Paper trading - If you are just beginning to trade, or if you are having a confidence problem with your trading, don't risk real money. Take time to trade and manage your positions as if you were trading, but don't actually trade your account. "Paper trading" will provide the learning ground and give you confidence in the trading methodology as well as confidence in your trading decisions. If you are a beginning trader I recommend at least 3 to 4 weeks of paper trading. This helps you learn the method, gain confidence in its success, and learn the personalities of each individual stock that you follow on your ticker.

12) "Trader-friendly" stocks - Remember that each individual stock cycles in and out of times when it can be traded successfully. It may trade well with this methodology for 2 weeks and then start to behave more erratically, usually going into a price congestion period. Be aware of when this begins to happen, and avoid that stock until it rotates back into a "trader-friendly" mode.

13) News and reports - Anytime a significant report comes out during the day that can affect the stock market, it is best to stand aside and let the dust settle after the initial burst of trading activity. It is hard to make money off of reports and company news. Let the market digest the new information and choose a direction, then look for price pattern setups to hop aboard for a safer ride.

PRICE FRACTIONS SHOWING DOLLAR AMOUNT

(Based on 1000 share trades)

FRACTION	\$\$\$	FRACTION	\$\$\$
1/64	15.625	33/64	515.625
3/64	46.875	35/64	546.875
1/16	62.50	9/16	562.50
5/64	78.125	37/64	578.125
7/64	109.375	39/64	609.375
1/8	125.00	5/8	625.00
9/64	140.625	41/64	640.625
11/64	171.875	43/64	671.875
3/16	187.50	11/16	687.50
13/64	203.125	45/64	703.125
15/64	234.375	47/64	734.375
1/4	250.00	3/4	750.00
17/64	265.625	49/64	765.625
19/64	296.875	51/64	796.875
5/16	312.50	13/16	812.50
21/64	328.125	53/64	828.125
23/64	359.375	55/64	859.375
3/8	375.00	7/8	875.00
25/64	390.625	57/64	890.625
27/64	421.875	59/64	921.875
7/16	437.50	15/16	937.50
29/64	453.125	61/64	953.125
31/64	484.375	63/64	984.375
1/2	500.00	1	1000.00

TRADE SHEET

Trader: _____

Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Stock In Out Buy Sell G/L Cum G/L

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TRADE SHEET

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THE 10 COMMANDMENTS OF TRADING

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EX. IF YOU HAVE \$1500 NET PROFIT - POCKET \$1000 AND USE \$500 FOR MORE TRADES & COMMISSIONS
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SCALPING MODULE

A SUPPLEMENT

TO

STOCK PATTERNS

FOR

DAY TRADING

AND

SWING TRADING

Barry Rudd

SCALPING METHODOLOGY

As a day trader, scalping simply means you are looking for a quick, small profit in a stock. Usually, you are attempting to make 1/8 point profit (and sometimes more) within a few seconds or a minute or two. Therefore, you want a momentum surge in a stock's price that you can hop on board for a quick and profitable ride. During the day most price movement in a stock is random noise. The majority of moves do not provide enough follow-through in one direction to be profitably traded. So, how do you isolate and predict the strong "price spikes" from the regular ebb and flow of price? The answer lies in intraday price "compression". This can easily be seen on a 5 minute bar chart graph as it unfolds during the trading session. When a stock begins to trade in a very tight range (called consolidation) at the day's current high or low, a potential trade "setup" may be unfolding. To further screen these price pattern setups, two other criteria are applied to filter out only the highest probability trades. First: The consolidation on the 5 minute chart must be hugging up against the current high of the day for a long trade, or hugging down against the current low of the day for a short trade. Second: The consolidation should last for at least 20 - 30 minutes and preferably longer (the longer, the better). This compression builds up like a pressure cooker, and when the stock breaks to a new high or low, you usually get a strong, quick follow-through move in price, i.e. a "price spike". By watching these trades set up during the day you are ready to be one of the first traders to enter the stock at the best price and at the very beginning of a highly reliable momentum surge.

Once you are filled, you immediately bid or offer out for a profit while the momentum is still continuing. Often these trades will move far enough where you can get 1/4 or 3/8 point...and even more. The key to exiting is not to be too greedy or wait too long, because once the momentum begins to slow or stops, your bid or offer is less likely to be filled. Also, if the trade does not follow through like you expected, be ready to buy or sell at break-even if that price is available to you. If momentum has stopped and you haven't been filled on your bid or offer, exit the trade. It is better to take a "flat" than wait for the stock to reverse and hand you a 1/8 point loss or worse. When commissions are factored in, you realize that to be profitable you must risk no more than a 1/8 point loss on any given trade and be ready to exit flat if you are wrong. Also, you must have a high percentage of winning to losing trades to be net profitable. That is why you must rely upon the trade setups in this module.

You must time your entries at the price just prior to the breakout if a breakout move seems imminent as you monitor the activity on the "market maker" and "time and sales" screens. You may also wish to enter one price level later, the actual breakout price. If you do not get your price then pass up the trade. There will be other good setups later.

A good characteristic of the "compression / price spike" is that opportunities of profits beyond 1/8 point present themselves more frequently than with other scalping methods. Sometimes the stock will move so quickly after you enter, that by the time it takes you to

put out your bid or offer you are already looking at a 3/8 point move and probable 3/8 point profit. These “windfall” scalps, although infrequent, can sometimes yield even a 1+ point profit with just one trade.

Since you need to keep your maximum loss per trade to 1/8 point you must trade only stocks that typically have a 1/8 point bid / ask spread. This way if you are wrong and the trade immediately goes against you, only 1/8 point is lost. Usually 1000 shares are traded. If you want to trade some 1/4 point spread stocks that tend to have very strong moves out of the setups presented in this manual, then you can drop the number of shares you trade to 500 and look for at least a 1/4 point profit. Either way you risk no more than \$125 per trade with the expectation of at least a \$125 profit before commissions.

If you buy a stock using a trade setup, you then offer out that stock usually on Selectnet. You may also offer out using Instinet or one of the other E.C.N.'s through your brokerage firm. Conversely, if you short a stock then you bid out into the momentum for a profit.

Don't necessarily limit yourself to 1/8 point increments. 1/16 point increments can be used to increase the profit of a trade or decrease the loss if you are wrong. Every 1/16 point makes a \$62.50 difference. Over time these can add up to more profits.

The intraday section in this module covers the main setups that you will be trading based on the 5 minute bar chart. It is very similar to the corresponding section from the “Stock Patterns” manual but is the core of your scalp trading setups. *Therefore it is included in this scalping module with some changes tailored to scalping versus intraday trend trading.* Remember, never risk any more than \$ 125 per trade with any setup when scalping. This includes trades based on the 5 minute bar chart setups and on the daily bar chart setups covered in the “Stock Patterns” manual. Those “1 to 3 daily bar setups” and the “longer term daily bar setups” can also be scalped early in the trading session. You may wish to decrease your lot size from 1000 shares to 500 to minimize risk on those trades due to early morning volatility.

The daily bar chart is often referenced even when using the 5 minute bar chart for your primary setups and trade entries. This is because it is important to be aware of the daily bar chart's price support and resistance areas even when scalping. If you have a buy setup on the 5 minute chart but also see nearby price resistance just above on the daily chart, then the strength of the price spike may be lessened (vice versa with daily bar chart support on the sell setups). On the other hand if a buy setup on the 5 minute chart is hugging the same price as the resistance level on a daily chart (or is above daily resistance) then there is more room for the stock to move up on a breakout with a strong price spike. The converse is true with support levels when shorting a stock. The “Stock Patterns” manual covers the “market maker” and “time and sales” screen with examples. This will help you pick the appropriate stocks you'll track on your “ticker” for scalping.

The 10 commandments of trading for scalpers is different from the “Stock Patterns” manual and gives you a roadmap to help you manage your trading. With scalping, mental

discipline will be the biggest factor in your success or failure. Finally, since the 5 minute bar chart setups are the core of this scalping method, actual chart examples are provided at the end of this module. You can also refer back to the 5 minute bar chart examples in the “Stock Patterns” manual at the end of the “intraday setups” section for more nuances as to how these patterns set up and play out in actual trading.

You will see some overlap and duplication of this scalping module with the main “Stock Patterns” manual. This is because **the trade setups and entries are exactly the same.** The primary difference is how you subsequently manage your exit from the trade. While the “Stock Patterns” manual is based on intraday trend trading, the scalping module is based on exiting quickly with smaller, high-probability profits derived from the price spikes seen primarily on the 5 minute bar chart setups. The primary manual and scalping module are designed to dovetail with each other to enhance your trading options while maintaining the same trade entry methodology.

You therefore are provided two different day trading approaches: The “Stock Pattern” manual’s intraday trend trading as well as the scalping approach which is presented in this module. This is important because you will find either one style or the other tends to fit your personality as a trader. Choose what works best for you and stick with it. At the same time, each style lends itself to two different market conditions. If you are able to determine early in a trading session whether you are in an intraday trending market, or rather in a choppy market, you can then trade the appropriate style that best fits current market conditions. Knowledge of both styles gives you an edge. Resist the temptation to create a hybrid of the two approaches; it is best to trade either one or the other. Remember, don’t impose your will on the market. Instead, react to what the market is telling you. A consistent methodology yields consistent results which equals \$\$\$\$ in your account.

WHY USE PRICE BAR CHARTS TO SCALP

Price bar charts paint a graphic picture of a stock's price movements both during the day with the 5 minute bars, and longer term with the daily bars. The picture unfolds showing short and long term supply and demand and how it has moved the stock's price. This helps pinpoint specific areas of buying or selling pressure as they develop. The bar charts alert you to this "at a glance" when the bars trade into a tight range that hugs up or down against a certain price (usually the day's current high or low). This consolidation creates a price "compression" point where pressure builds and is finally released when the price level that held the stock is penetrated. Usually this penetration is a strong and quick "price spike" that offers great scalping potential of 1/8 point or more. By monitoring different stock charts throughout the day, a trader can quickly identify these scalping pattern setups. Since the trader knows which stocks are currently setting up for a price spike, he or she has the edge of catching a strong price move as it begins and then bidding or offering out into the momentum as other traders rush in to participate in the price move. The advantages of using a daily bar chart in conjunction with the 5 minute bar chart were covered at the end of the prior section on methodology. Using the 5 minute bar chart gives you an edge over other market participants in 3 ways:

- It allows you to follow more than just a very few stocks which must be micro-managed. With more stocks on your ticker, more scalping opportunities are uncovered and therefore more potential profits are available.
- The specific price bar setups in the "Stock Patterns" manual and in the scalping module make sure you are entering the stock at the beginning of the momentum surge. This leads to a higher success rate per trade and a larger average profit per trade.
- Since these price pattern setups reflect compression built up against the day's current high or low, the breakout is a very high-odds trade. The success rate of a price spike out of these setups far exceeds the random movements ("noise") back and forth in price throughout most of the day.

Without charts you are only looking at a snapshot of price in time. So much more can be seen with charts to give you an edge. Trading without charts is like flying blind, even when scalping!

TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

* Some terms overlap with the “Stock Patterns” manual in this scalping module, but also some additional definitions are provided related to scalping.

DAY TRADE - Refers to entering and exiting a stock on the same day, typically using 1000 shares.

DAILY BAR CHART - A daily bar shows the open, high, low, and close of a day's trading activity for a stock.

INTRADAY BAR CHART - An intraday bar chart shows a stock's price movement during the day, usually with 5 minute bars.

SUPPORT & RESISTANCE - (also referred to as “S/R”) Price support and resistance are areas on a chart that have halted past price movement. A support area tends to halt downward price action, and resistance often halts upward price movement. You can visually see these on both daily and intraday bar charts. It may help to draw a horizontal line through these areas. The significance of support and resistance is to determine if a potential trade setup has enough room to give you a reasonable profit before the stock stalls at one of these S/R areas. Also, a penetration up through a resistance area may open the door for follow-through in the stock's upward movement. Conversely, a penetration down through a support area may then enable the stock to more easily continue its downward movement.

CONSOLIDATION (daily and intraday) - Is when the stock trades in a tight, well defined price range for more than a few price bars. Consolidation can be seen on both the intraday and daily time frames simply by looking at the chart. On an intraday basis, consolidation at the high of the day or at the low of the day can be a potential setup to enter a trade on the breakout to new highs or lows. Price “congestion” is somewhat different and applies primarily to the daily chart. Usually it is best not to trade a stock while it is congested (i.e., has a lot of daily bars clustered together side by side without a well defined support or resistance area). This is characteristic of choppy price movement. Wait for the stock to break out of a congestion area and begin moving before you trade it

PRICE “CONGESTION” - This is when a stock trades in a sideways, choppy manner without a definite direction or trend. It can easily be seen on a daily chart. Avoid trading stocks while they are in this mode. Wait for the price to move out of the congestion area or until it has a good consolidation type breakout setup as described in the price setup patterns of this manual.

BREAKOUT - Consider a stock that has consolidated against a price level for several bars (especially on the 5 minute chart). The point where it breaks beyond that price level is called the “breakout” and often is the beginning of a short to intermediate term move in the direction of the breakout.

FILL-PRICE - When you put an order out to buy or sell a stock, the actual price at which it is executed is called the "fill-price".

STOP-LOSS - This is your mental exit price from a trade that you have entered. It is initially 1/8 point from your actual "fill-price" when you have taken a long or short position in a stock. If the stock moves against you, you exit the trade and are said to be "stopped out" for a loss. Strictly adhere to your stop-loss. It is an integral part of money management.

SCALPING - Scalping is the style of trading based on taking small, quick profits. If a stock has a momentum surge in price, the trader quickly buys or sells in the direction of the price movement. He or she then puts out a bid or offer anywhere from 1/16 to 1/4 point (and sometimes more) from the fill price before the momentum surge slows. Hopefully their bid or offer is taken and a quick profit made on the 1000 share trade. A scalp trade will typically last from just a few seconds to several minutes. To make a decent profit scalping requires a high success rate per trade and strict money management.

FLAT - Exiting a trade at break-even (less commissions and fees).

PRICE SPIKE - A strong, quick move up or down in price, usually occurring out of consolidation on the price bar chart.

BIDDING - If a trader is bidding, he or she is trying to buy a stock at a specific price which he or she chooses. Market makers and/or other market participants can then see the trader's bid to buy a specified number of shares. A bid is usually used to exit a short trade while the stock's momentum is still continuing down.

OFFERING - If a trader is offering, he or she is trying to sell a stock at a specific price which he or she chooses. Market makers and/or other market participants can then see the trader's offer to sell a specified number of shares. An offer is usually used to exit a long trade while the stock's momentum is still continuing up.

INTRADAY TRADING PATTERNS

(for day trading scalps)

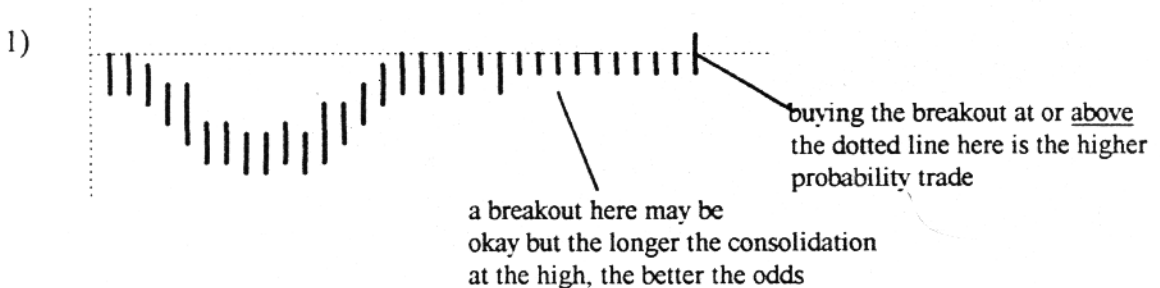
INTRODUCTION:

This section covers the day trade setups using 5 minute bar charts. They provide the best scalping potential from “compression” followed by “price spikes”. You will almost always be buying and selling breakouts of the current day’s high or low based primarily on bar chart pattern setups. Momentum of price movement will be the key to timing the entry. Momentum can be seen with action on the market maker screen and time of sale screen. Recognizing the best setup pattern is the key to entering the highest probability trade. We will present the most consistent trade setups and where to enter long or short with diagrams. Other secondary trades which may also be taken under certain circumstances will be graphically analyzed and explained. Remember, although these rules are not set in stone, they provide the foundation of a strong, high probability methodology for choosing profitable trades. Vertical dotted lines represent the start of the day, horizontal dotted lines show support and resistance areas as well as consolidation boundaries.

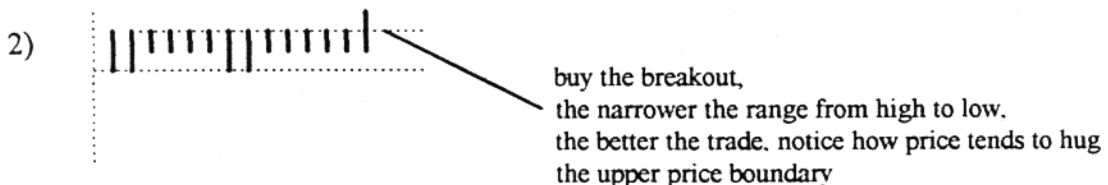
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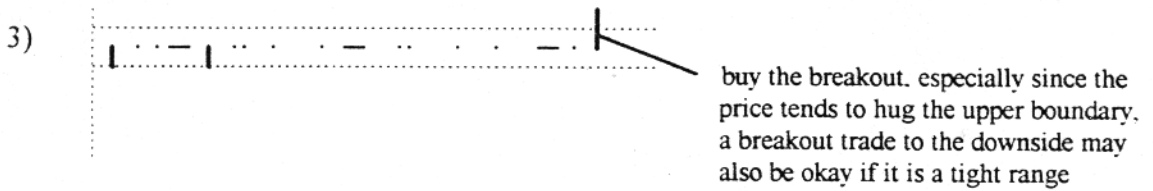
The first trade is an intraday pattern of a 5 minute bar chart that is the basic “dip and rally” setup for a buy breakout.



The consolidation at the high of the day is the key to the success of this setup, as it is with other pattern variations. The longer and tighter the consolidation, the better. This is a setup that develops through the day. Another more obvious pattern looks like this:

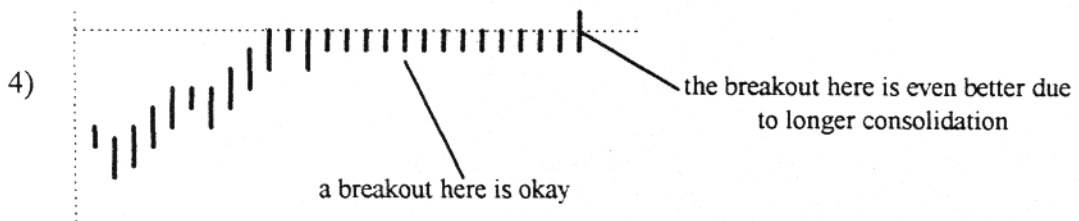


Another intraday consolidation pattern that you may see looks a bit different but it can also be a powerful setup:

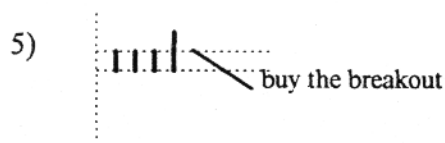


In the above setup #3, an active stock can show a deceptively illiquid intraday bar chart. The key to this chart pattern is to make sure the stock averages good volume on a daily basis (i.e. 100k shares +), and that the daily bar chart shows good room for movement to the upside with nearby price resistance. You can also keep tabs on its volume in the market maker screen.

The next chart is another common example leading to consolidation and a good breakout trade:

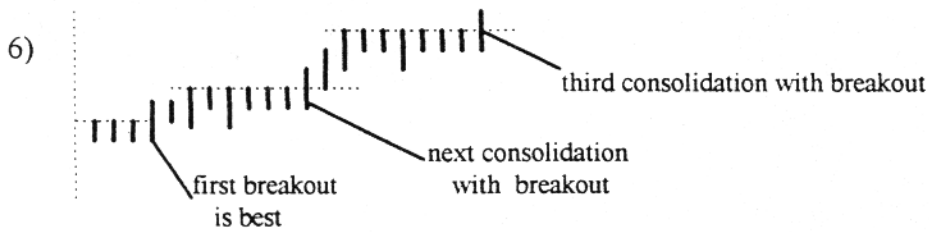


Early morning consolidation (similar to pattern #2) can be an integral part of entering trades at the start of the trading day (although it is best to wait 10 minutes before you enter a trade). This way you can catch the first and best breakout. If you are following a particular stock with the expectation of a good move on the day (or simply stumble across one with the following pattern), it may be a strong trade candidate. This is especially true if your market maker screen is moving and showing momentum coming into the breakout. The pattern consists of just a few bars on the morning and a range of only a 1/8 to 1/4.



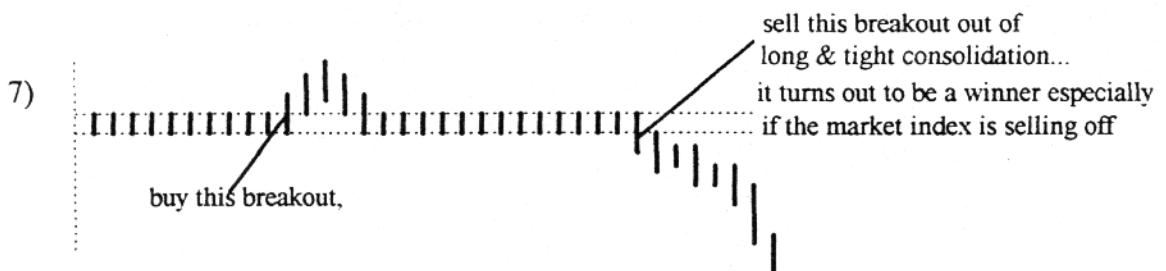
The point here is to catch the earliest breakout and best price...otherwise pass up the trade. Never chase a stock.

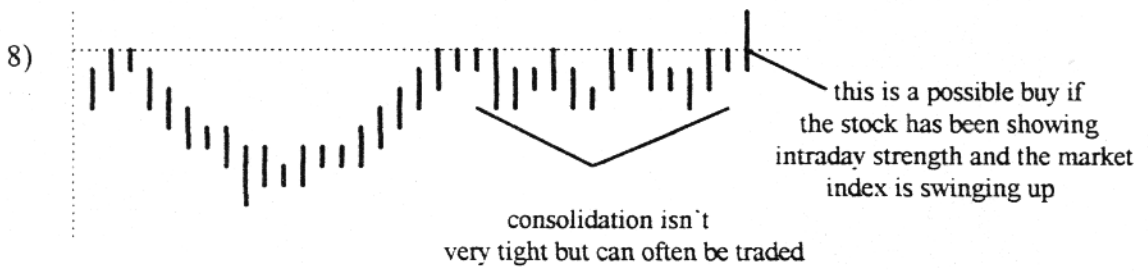
Once a breakout takes place, the stock normally spikes out of the consolidation to begin a strong move. If you miss the initial breakout, other consolidation opportunities may setup in the stock as the day progresses. For example:



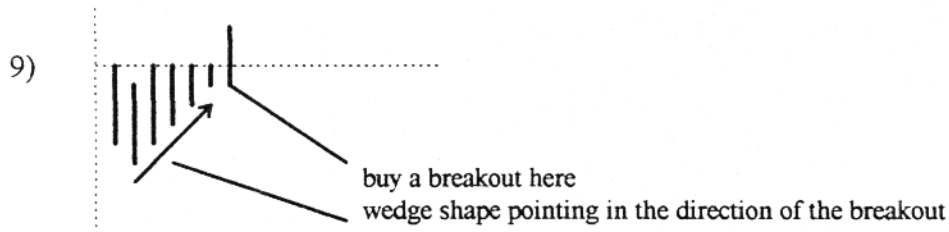
Obviously the first breakout is the best to take. The question arises as to whether you should take the second, third, fourth, etc... breakout. If you missed the earlier breakout(s), how do you know whether or not to take the next one? The best way is to know how long the overall market has been moving in a direction, and if it is losing steam. Also, consider the average daily range of the stock as well as the strength (momentum) coming into the breakout. If the stock often trades a 2 to 3 point daily range, then the subsequent breakouts may still have scalping potential if the range on the day is, for example, only 1 and 1/8 points at that time. Looking at the daily historical chart will show whether the price is breaking out of a daily consolidation area and if daily support or resistance has been broken. This can often lead to a large magnitude move and a stronger initial price spike, even if the last few daily bars have been in a narrow price range. Again, the longer the consolidation on the 5 minute bar chart, the better the trade.

Trade setup #7 depicts 2 good trade entry points following extended consolidation. Both of them may be worth taking. The second breakout to the downside could also be traded





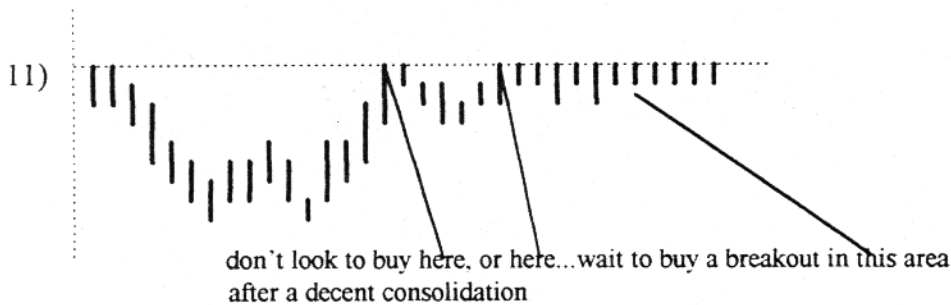
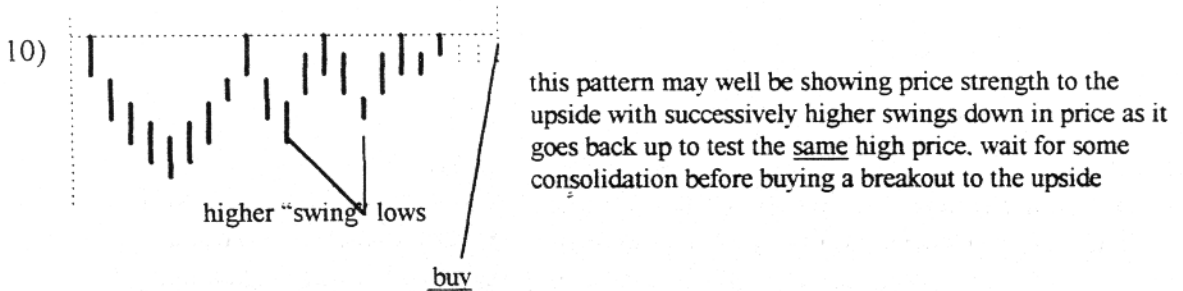
“Wedging” consolidation on the 5 minute chart, especially if it develops over the first 1 to 2 hours of trading, can precipitate strong breakout moves. This pattern usually sets up for a trade on the long side. Consolidation at the high of the day must be present and hugging the upper price boundary as the wedge pattern unfolds. Here is the buy setup:



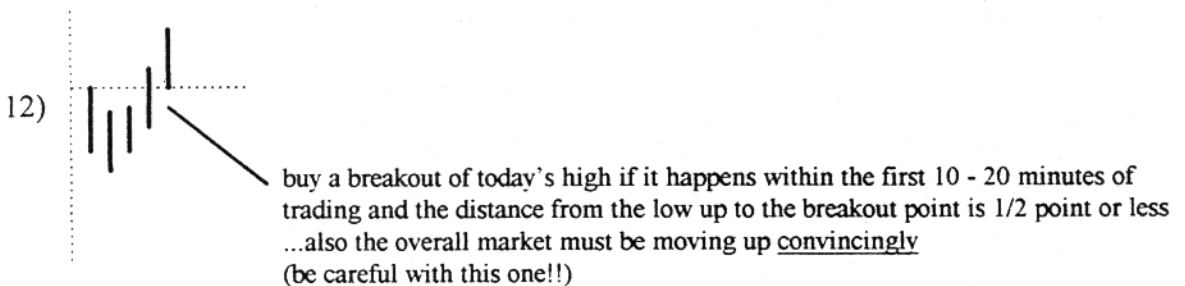
So far we've looked at the best and preferred trade setups where you should trade the breakout of the current high or low of the day out of strong consolidation...the longer the consolidation, the better. Remember, you are looking for a strong price spike for maximum scalping potential. There are also a few setups that are more aggressive and may be tradable.

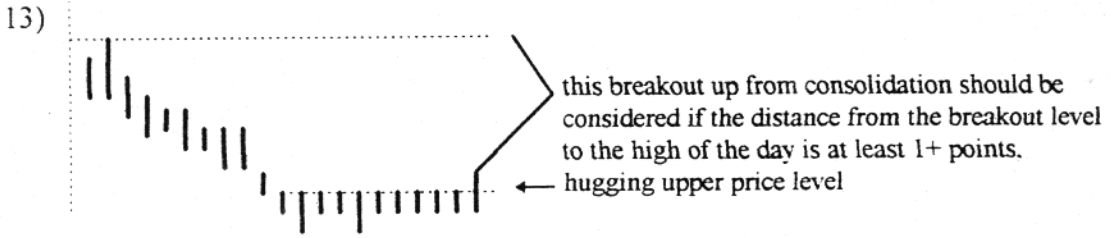
LOWER PROBABILITY TRADES:

These are secondary and somewhat lower probability patterns. But when paired with other analysis, such as momentum from the market maker screen, they may be traded successfully.



The "FLASHBACK" is another morning trade based on a quick reversal in direction of a stock's price. It quickly fakes one direction, then reverses back the other way to break the current high or low of the day. Look for the market index to be moving in the same direction the trade is taken for it to be worthwhile. Here is how it sets up for a buy trade:



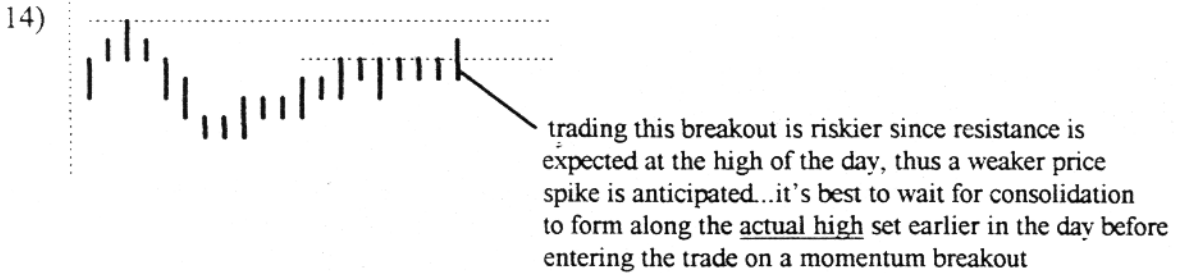


This could be considered if the overall market index begins moving up strongly and there is enough distance to the high from the breakout to make a decent profit. In order for the trade to yield you money there should be at least 1 + points from the breakout point to the high of the day. These trades can be good on a day when the market runs down in the morning and then makes a smooth, rounding bottom that subsequently swings back up.

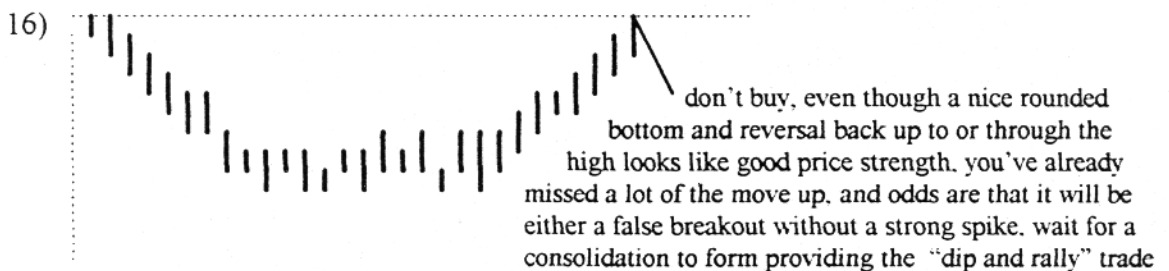
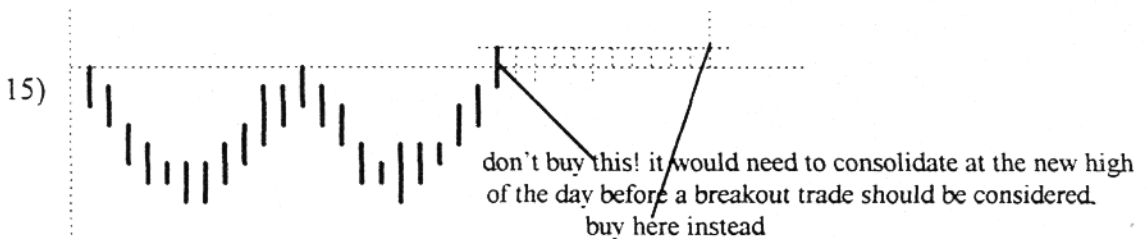
These examples are often strong trade setups that may be taken for a reasonable percentage of success. The rationale is to get in early on a strong move that will allow a quick and decent scalping profit.

LOWEST PROBABILITY TRADES: Be very careful with these patterns

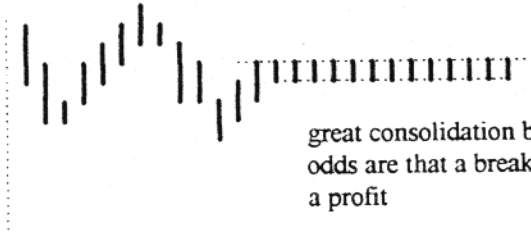
Here are some similar and seemingly desirable price patterns that should usually not be traded unless there is another convincing reason to enter. The first is a “dip and rally” consolidation that is not quite at the high of the day:



These other patterns are all further examples of price action that probably should not be traded, even though they may look enticing:



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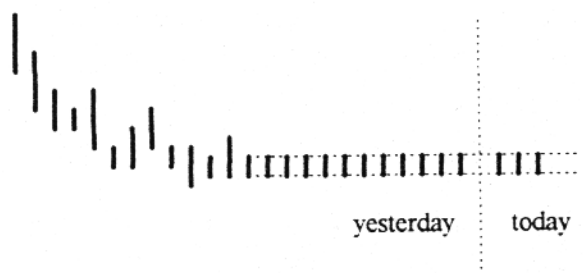
great consolidation but it's not at the high or low of the day.
 odds are that a breakout trade will not move far enough to give you
 a profit

SUMMARY

These have been a few graphic intraday price patterns to give you a feel for what to look for. They cover the best setups and higher risk trades, as well as what typically not to trade. Obviously these are drawn as textbook examples. Actual stock charts, as they unfold during the day, will vary somewhat.

CONCLUSION: What about yesterday's intraday price chart?

Finally, there are occasions to consider yesterday's intraday price chart, especially as it finished the last hour or two of the day. Here you are looking for stocks that traded in a tight consolidation pattern into yesterday's close at or near the high or low of that day. Today, if the stock opens in the same consolidation price range, you are looking at the possibility of an even more powerful breakout trade. Here is how it should look:



This presents a great breakout trade of today's current high or low. Refer to the daily bar price chart for analysis to get a better idea of whether a breakout to the upside or to the downside is the best trade to take. This price pattern also enhances the success of trades in the "Stock Patterns" manual section covering daily setups (w/r bars w/extreme close, and reversal bars). These daily setups are traded early in the market session and may also be scalped effectively. Refer to the "1 to 3 daily bar setups" and "longer term setups" from the "Stock Patterns" manual for these day trade scalp patterns.

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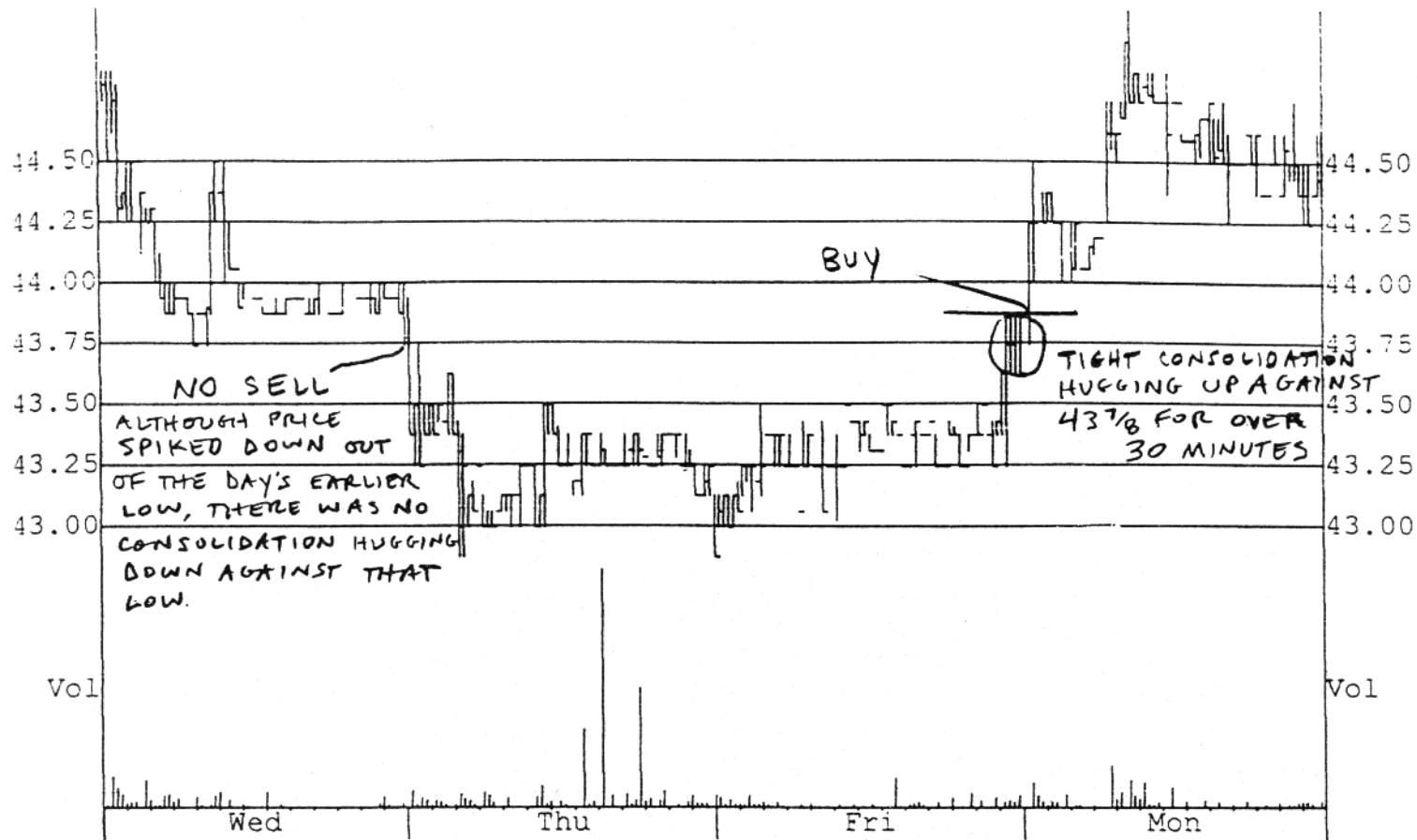
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AND YOU WILL FAIL!!!

5 MINUTE BAR CHART EXAMPLES

The following pages show actual examples of what the 5 minute bar charts tend to look like in actual trading. Most pages have 2 stock charts with each chart providing 4 days of trading activity. Knowing the intraday price action of a stock for 1 or more prior days helps give you a better feel for that stock's personality at a glance. These intraday chart examples are marked to show consolidation at the high or low of the day and the breakout point. You will be able to see how the setups from the 5 minute intraday bar chart section play out. This is the core of your scalping strategy. Although I've marked most of the successful trades with a decent price spike, you will also see some places where trades would not have worked out and probably provided you with a flat or a loss. You will find in actual trading that many of these "fakeouts" can be eliminated by trading in the direction of the current intraday market indexes and/or by realizing early in a trading day that the market is choppy and not worth trading. Also, being aware of the daily bar chart characteristics (described earlier) helps to filter out only the best trade candidates. Only trade entry points are marked, but what about the exit points? Since you are scalping, you are immediately bidding or offering out into the momentum. Usually you bid or offer for a 1/8 point profit. Sometimes the price moves so quickly that you will look for a 1/4 to 3/8 point profit or more. With some experience you will be able to fine tune your exits to get the greatest available scalping profit. If momentum has stalled and your bid or offer has not been taken, cancel it and buy or sell at market to close out the trade. Not all of the stocks in the following examples are 1/8 or 1/4 point bid / ask spread stocks. I chose them simply because they show what a typical chart will look like. Make sure you trade only stocks which fit the criteria discussed in this module for scalping. These examples will help you translate the "textbook" appearance of the patterns into actual trading.

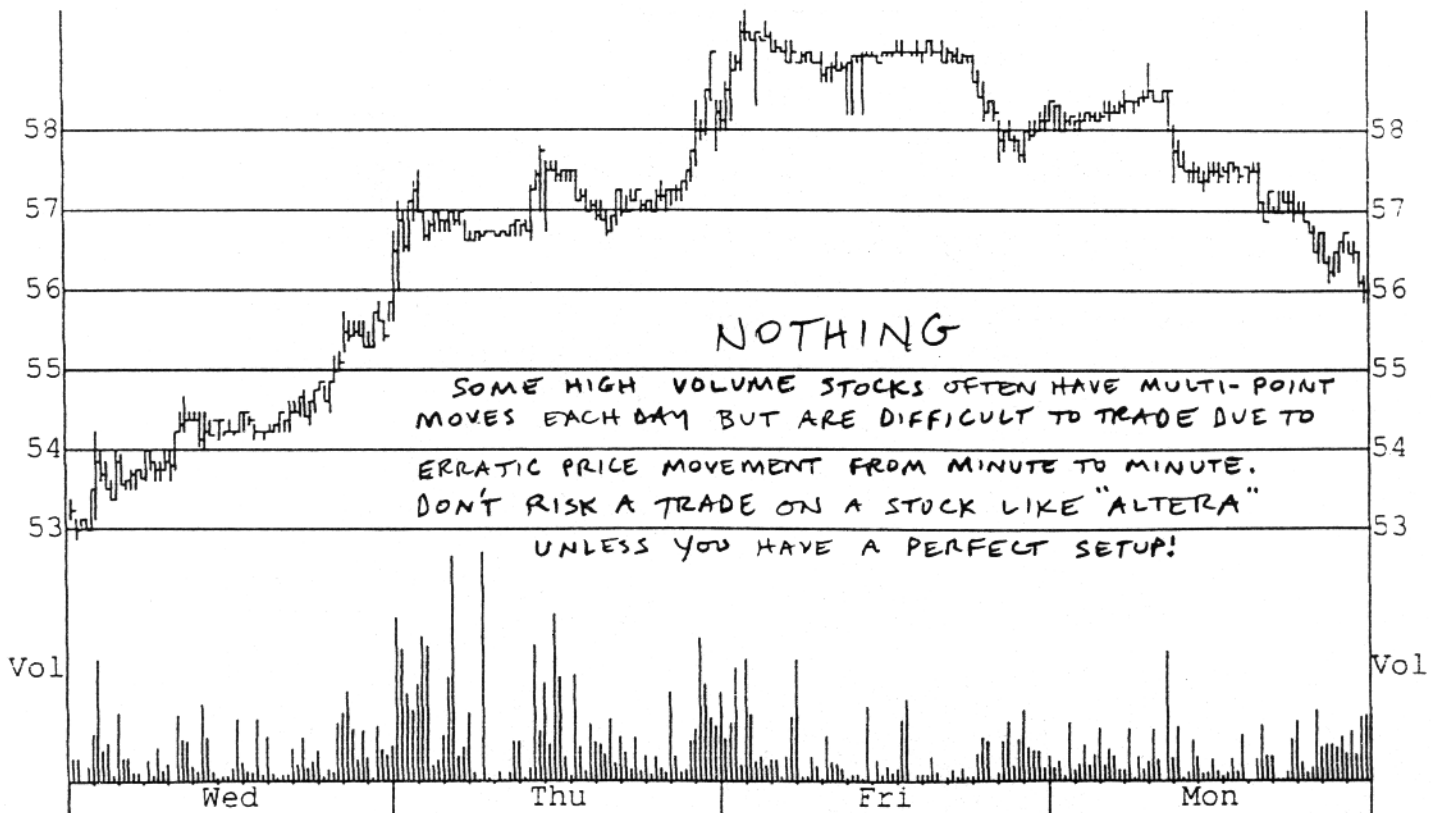


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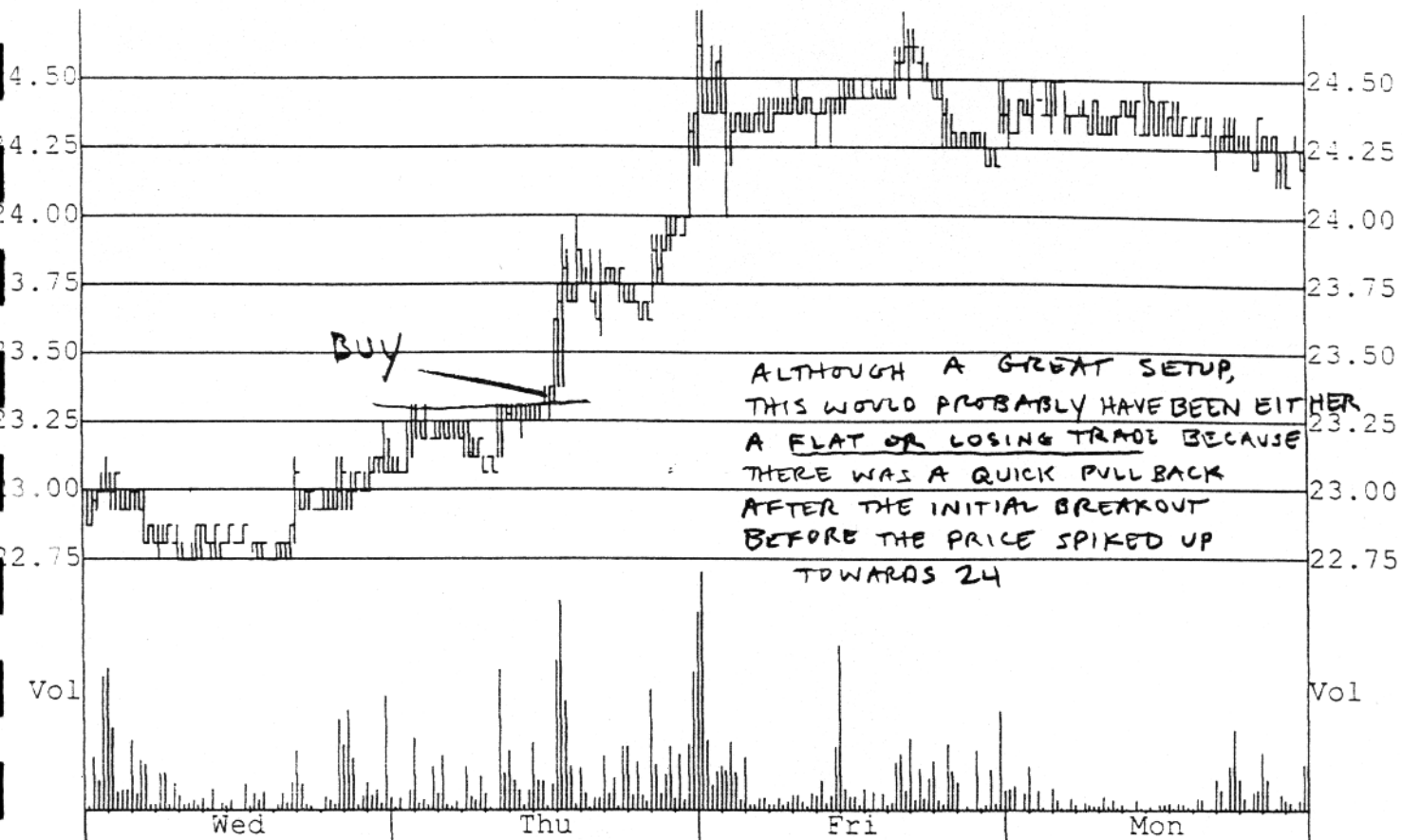
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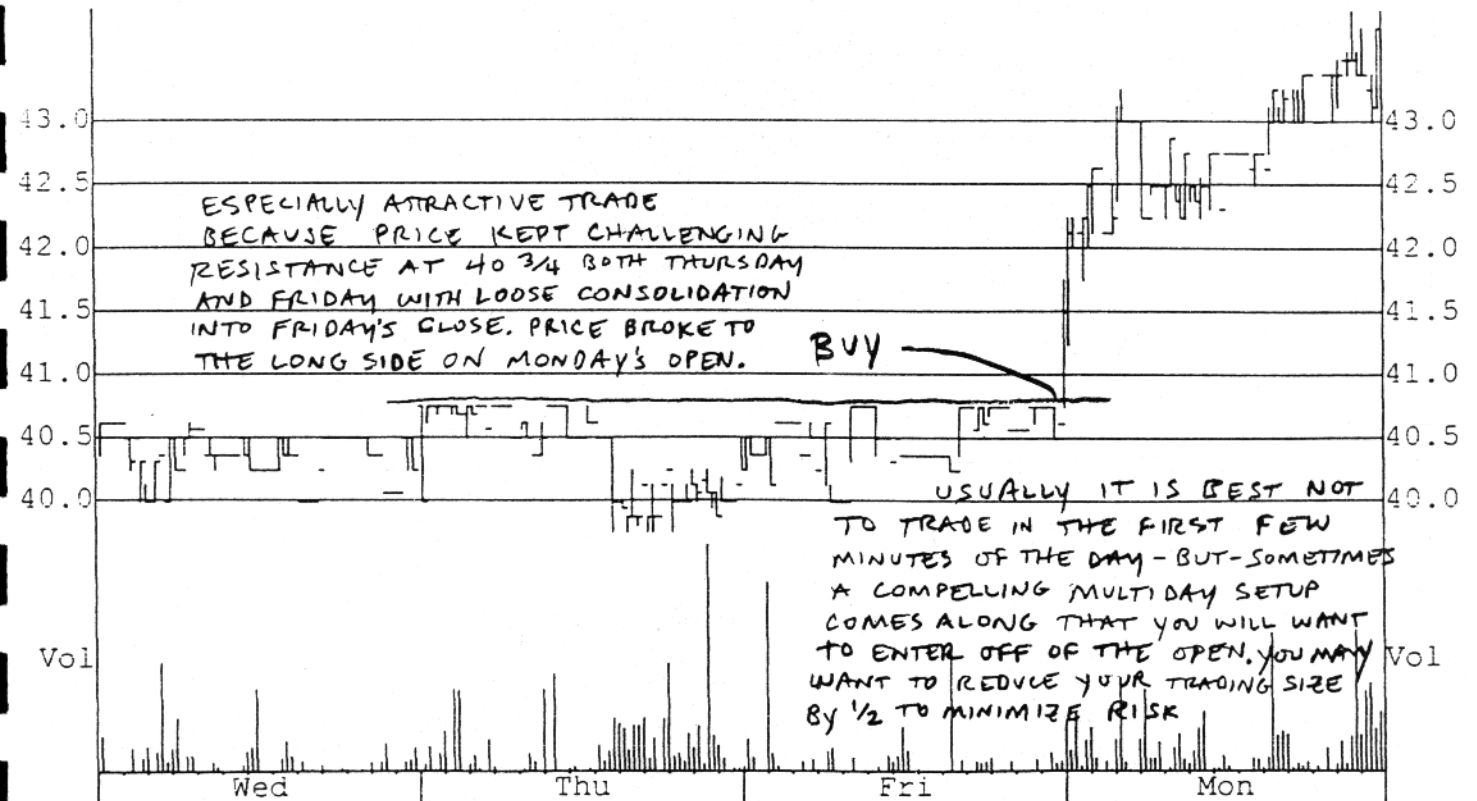


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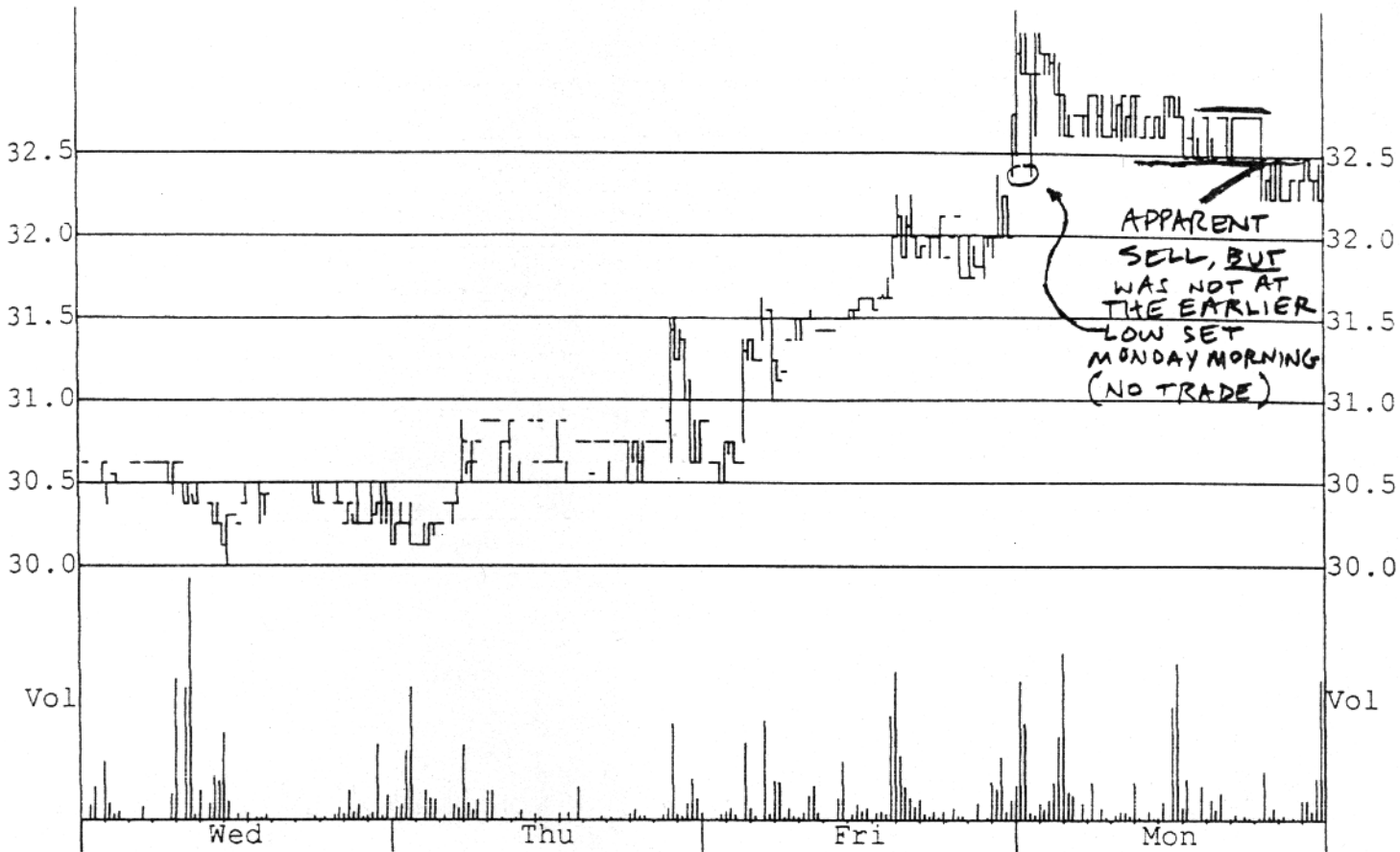
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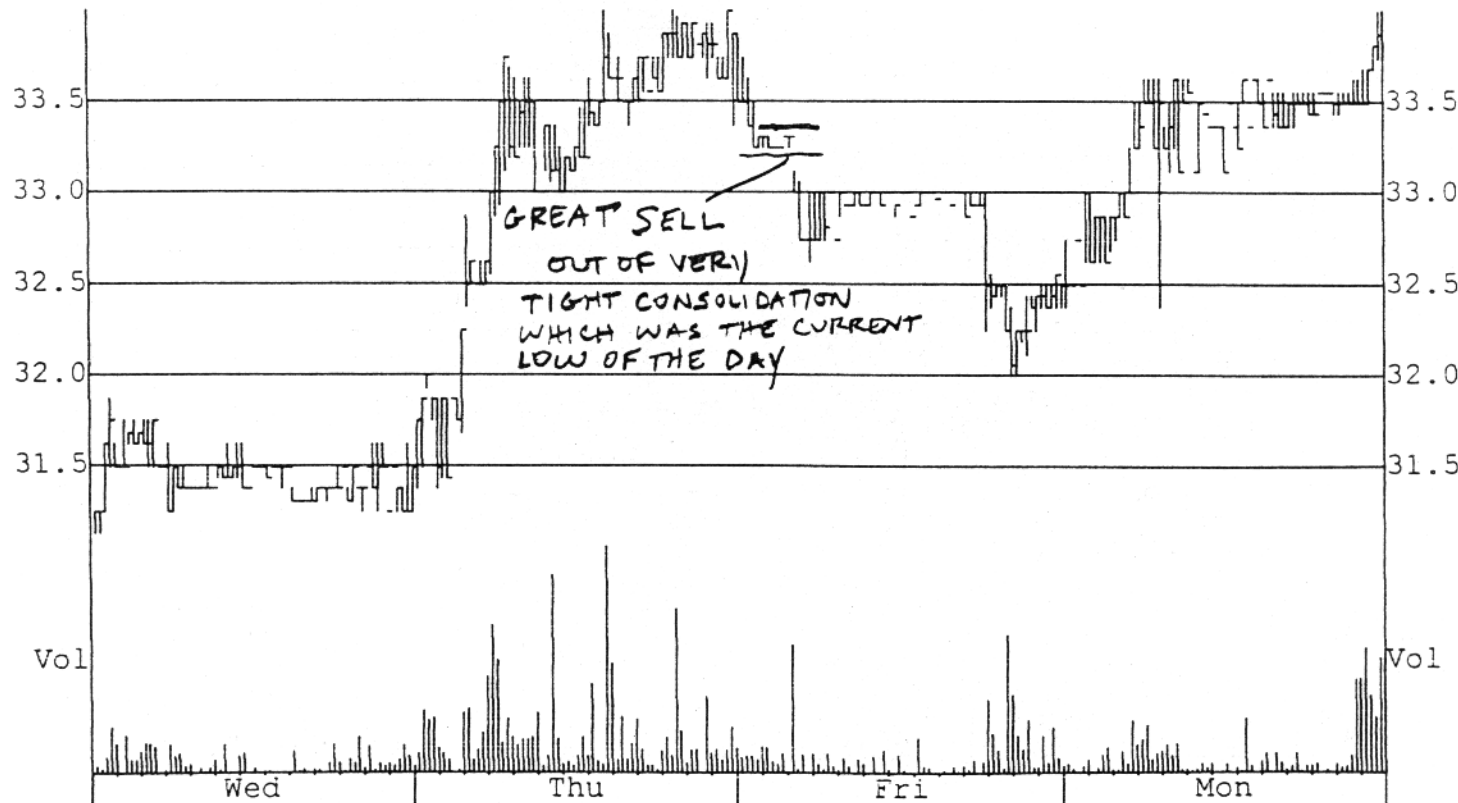


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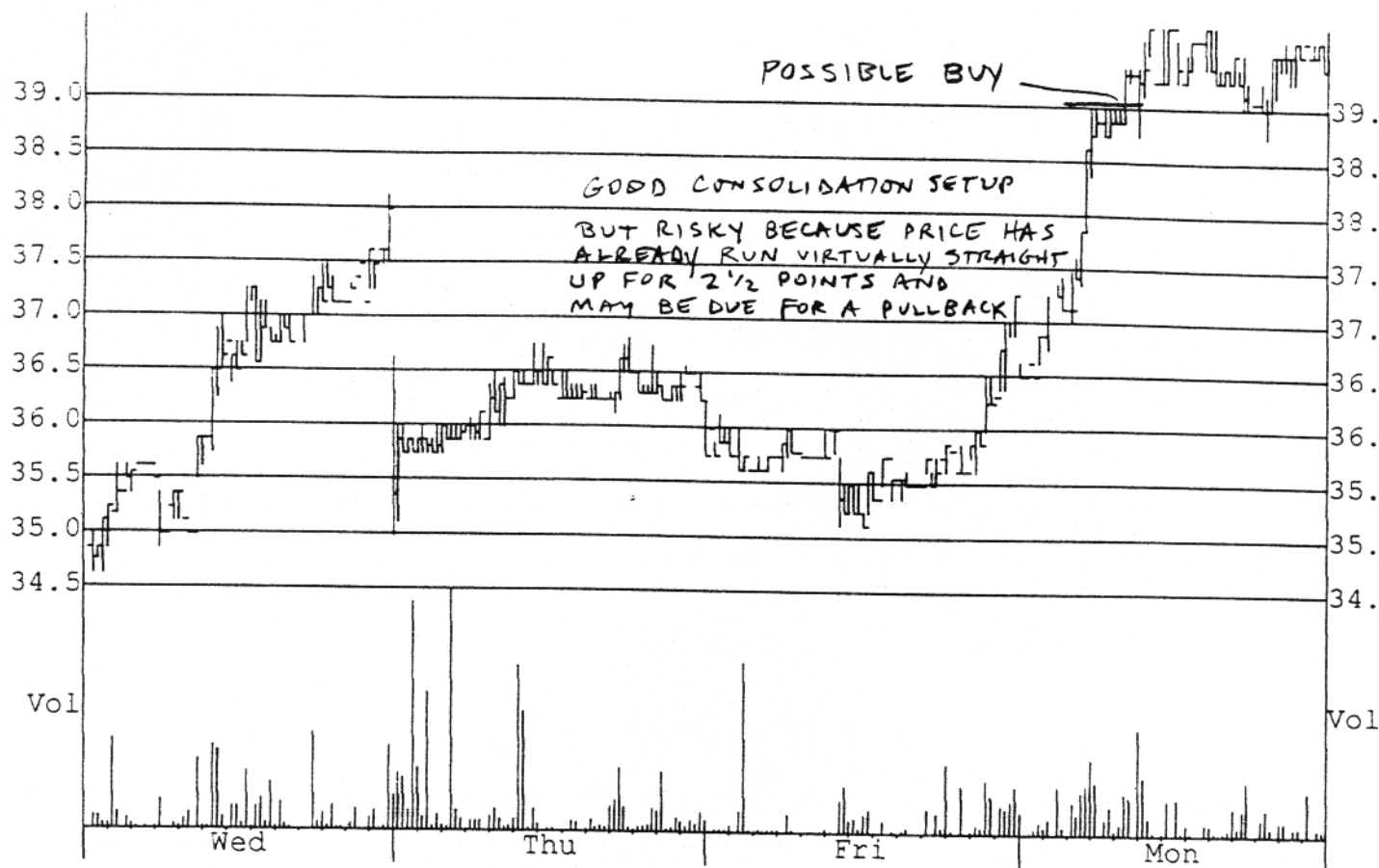
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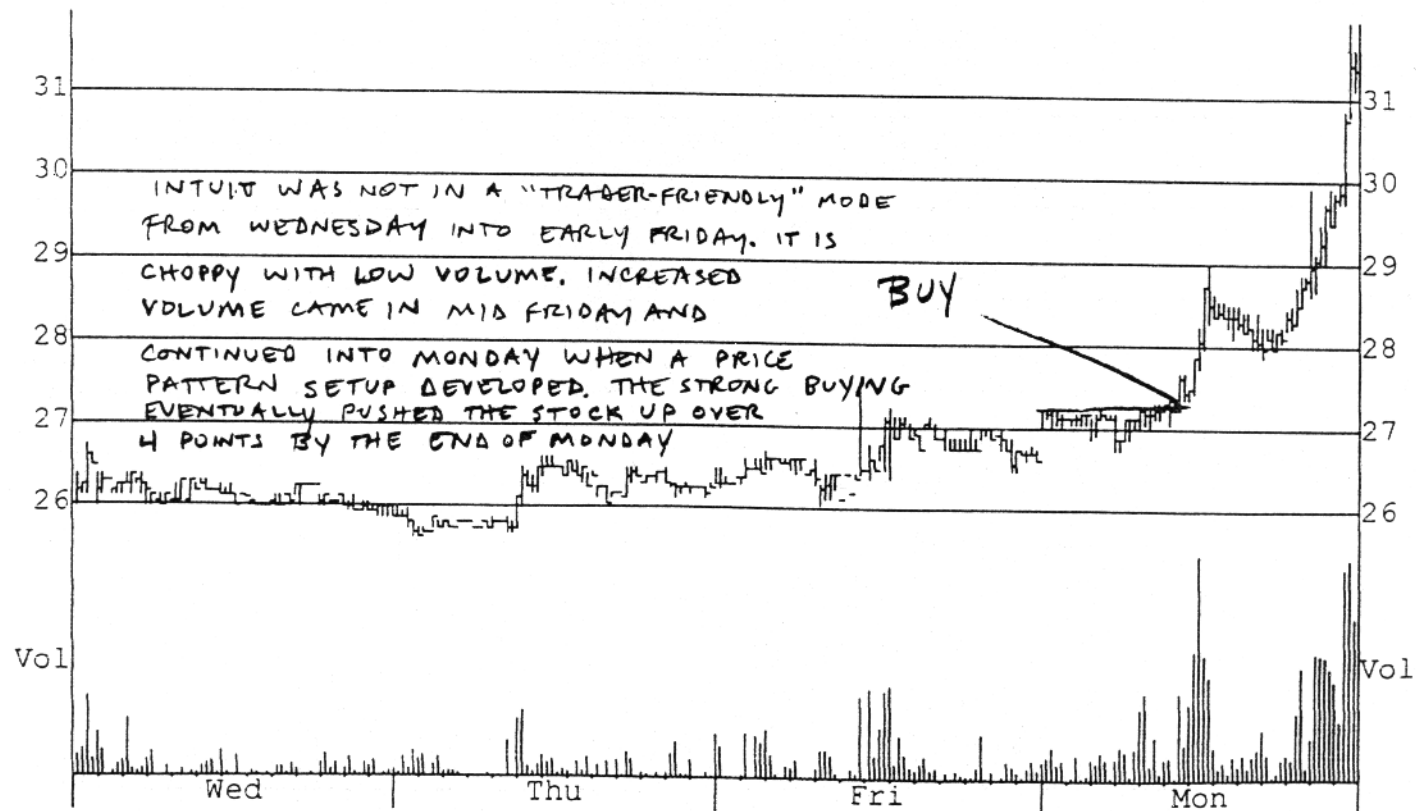


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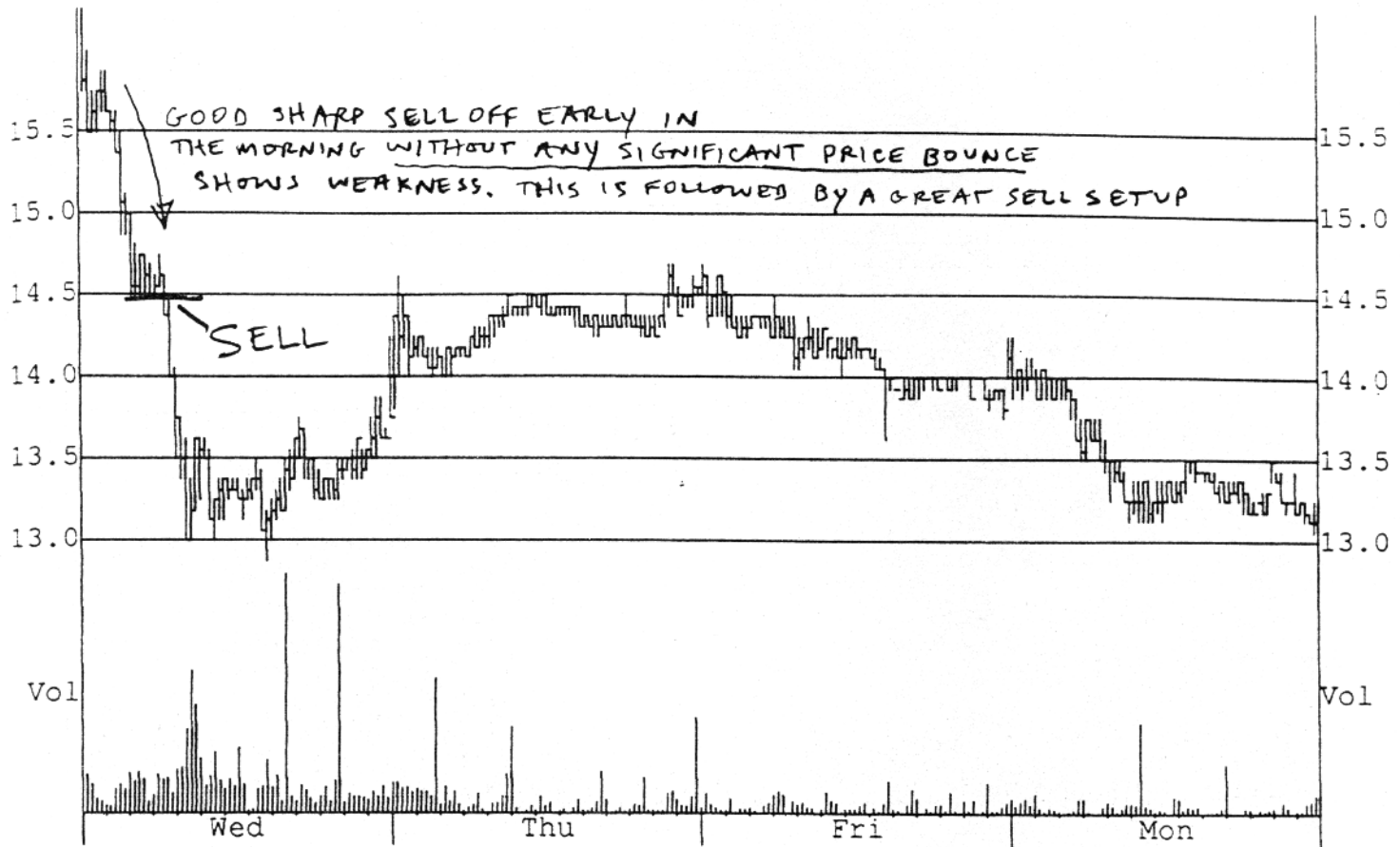
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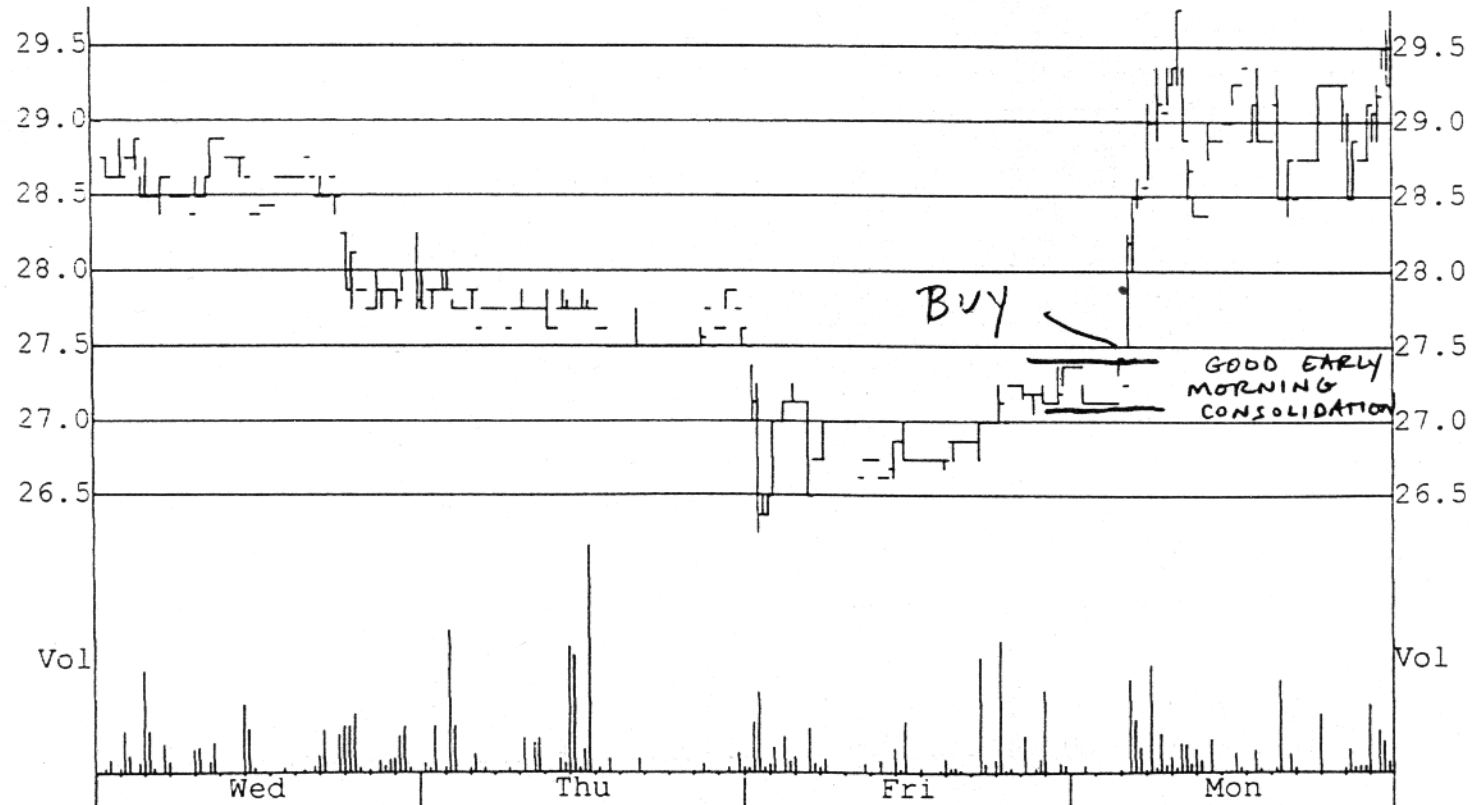


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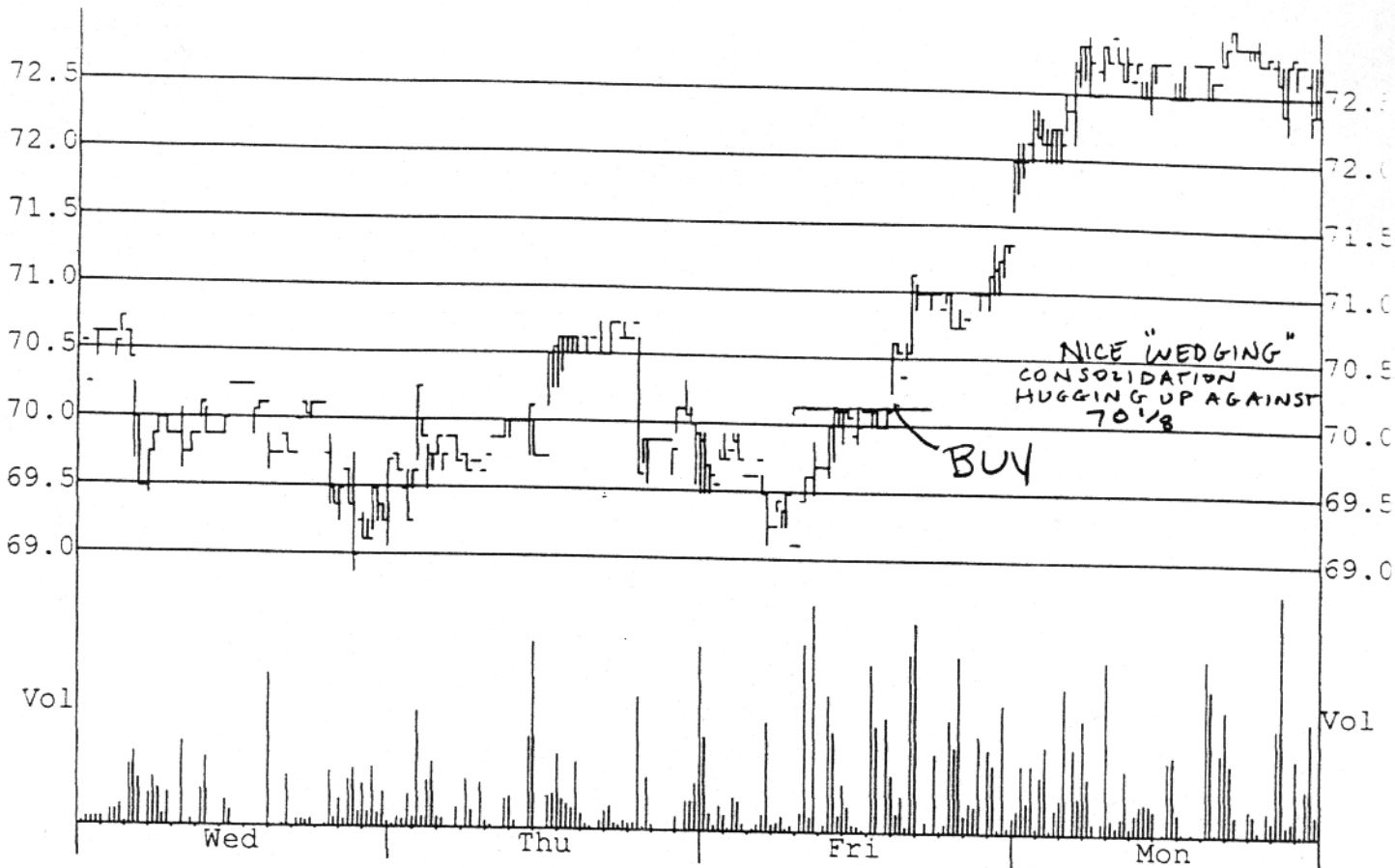
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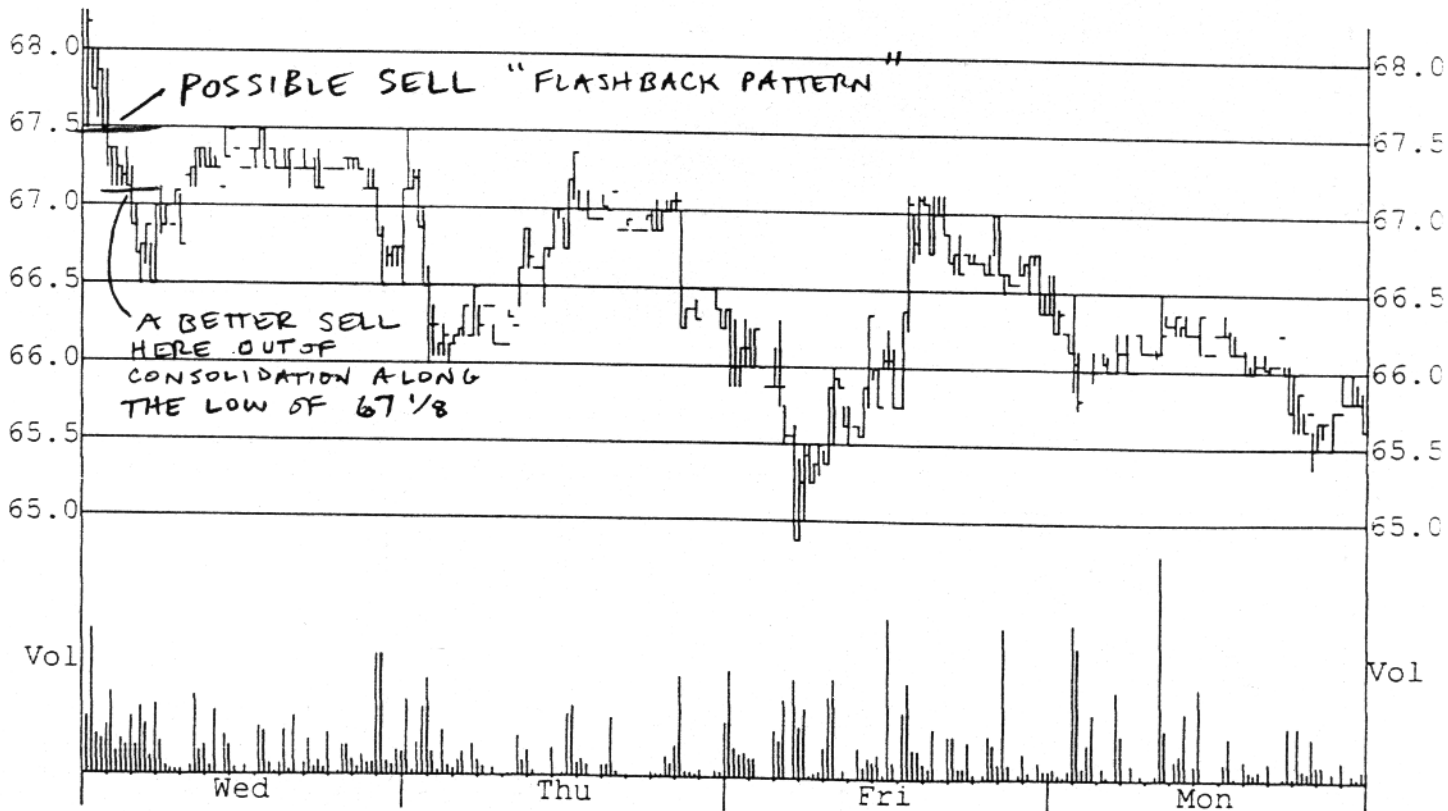


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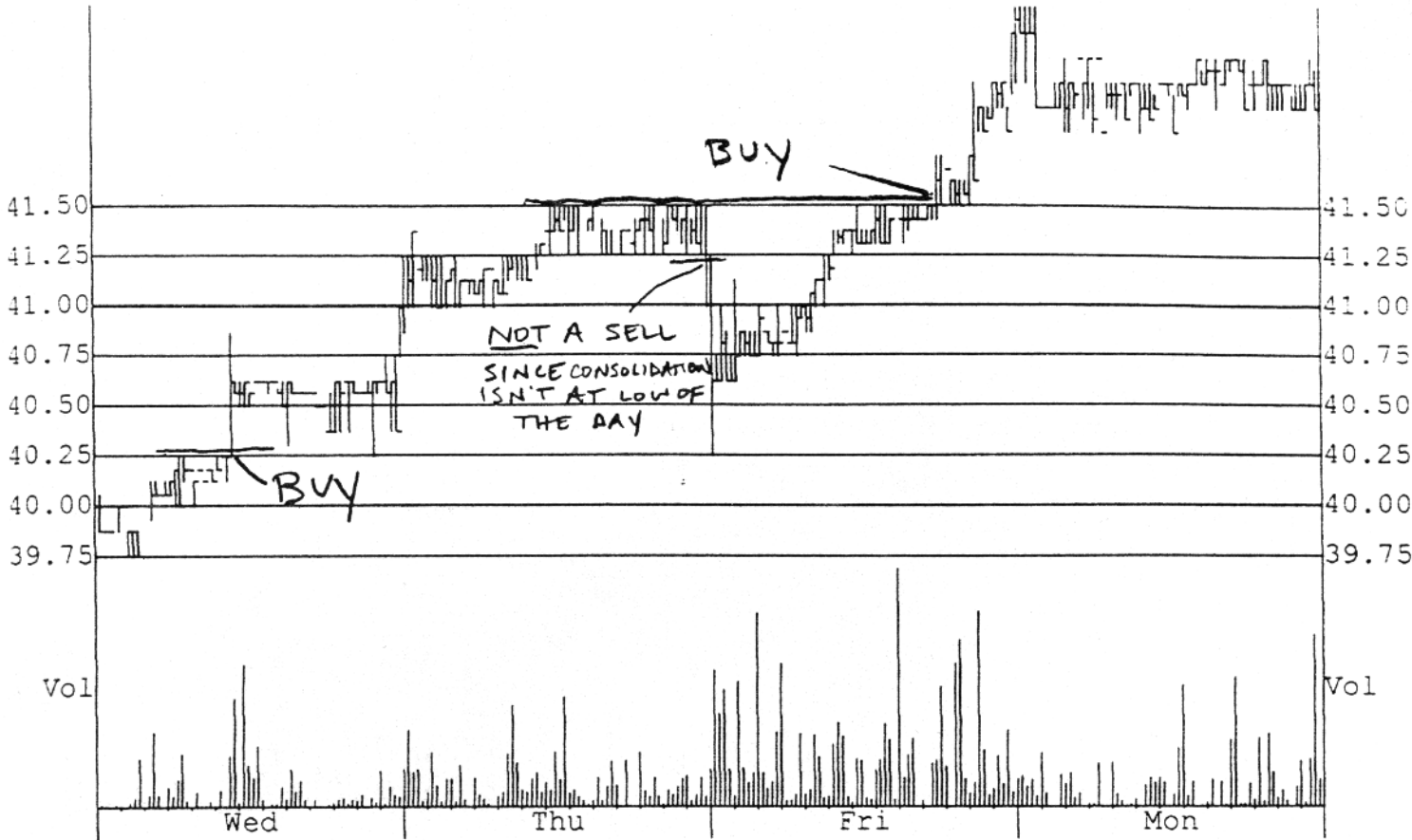
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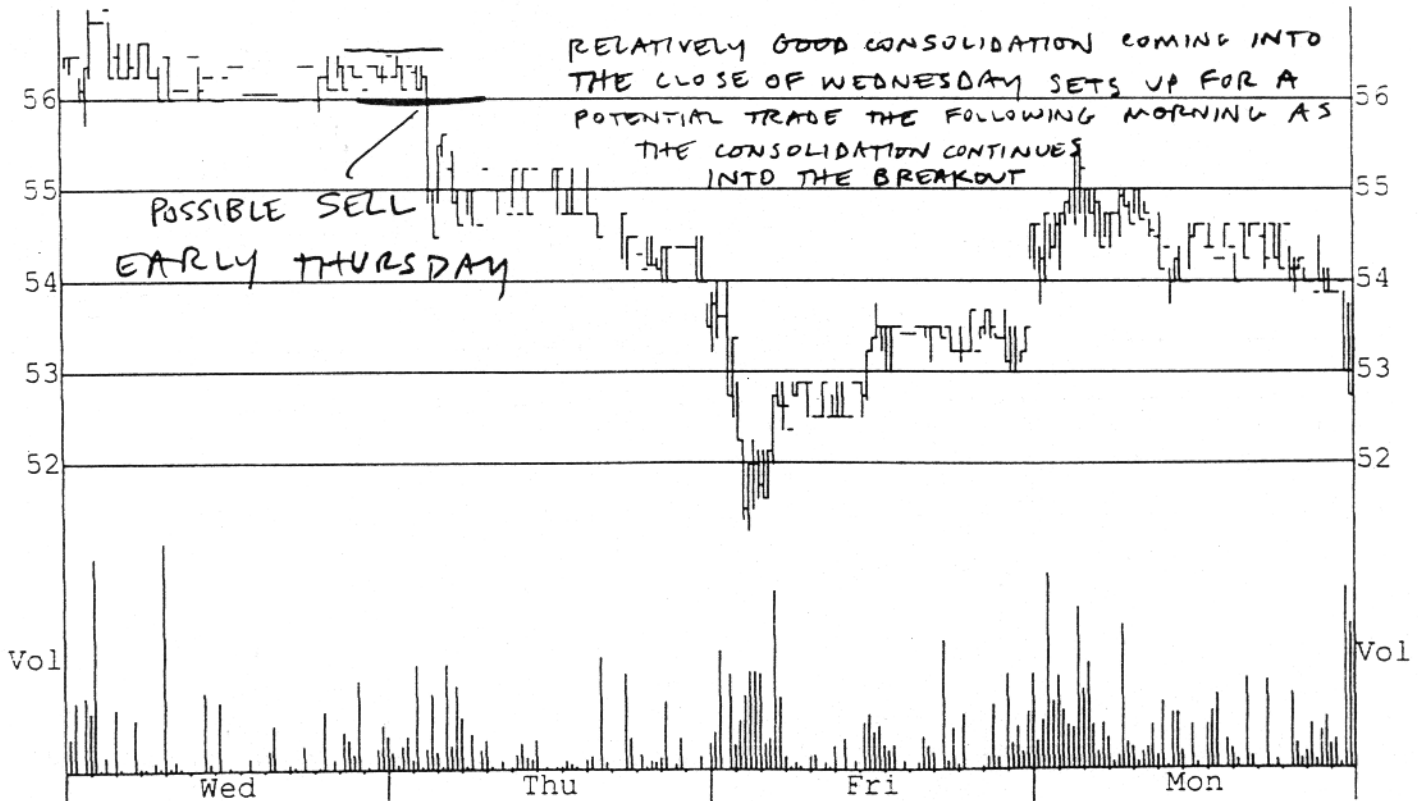


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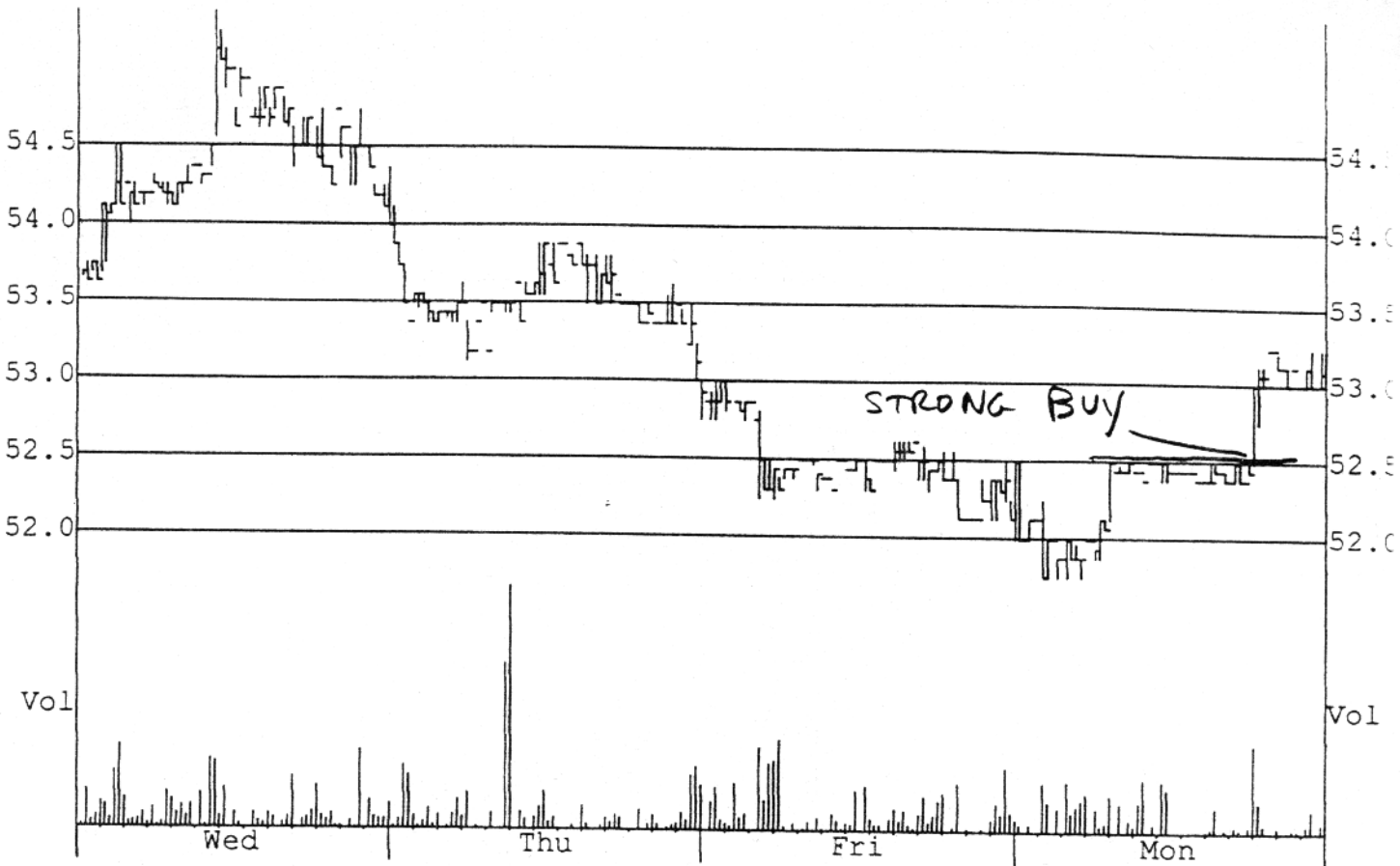
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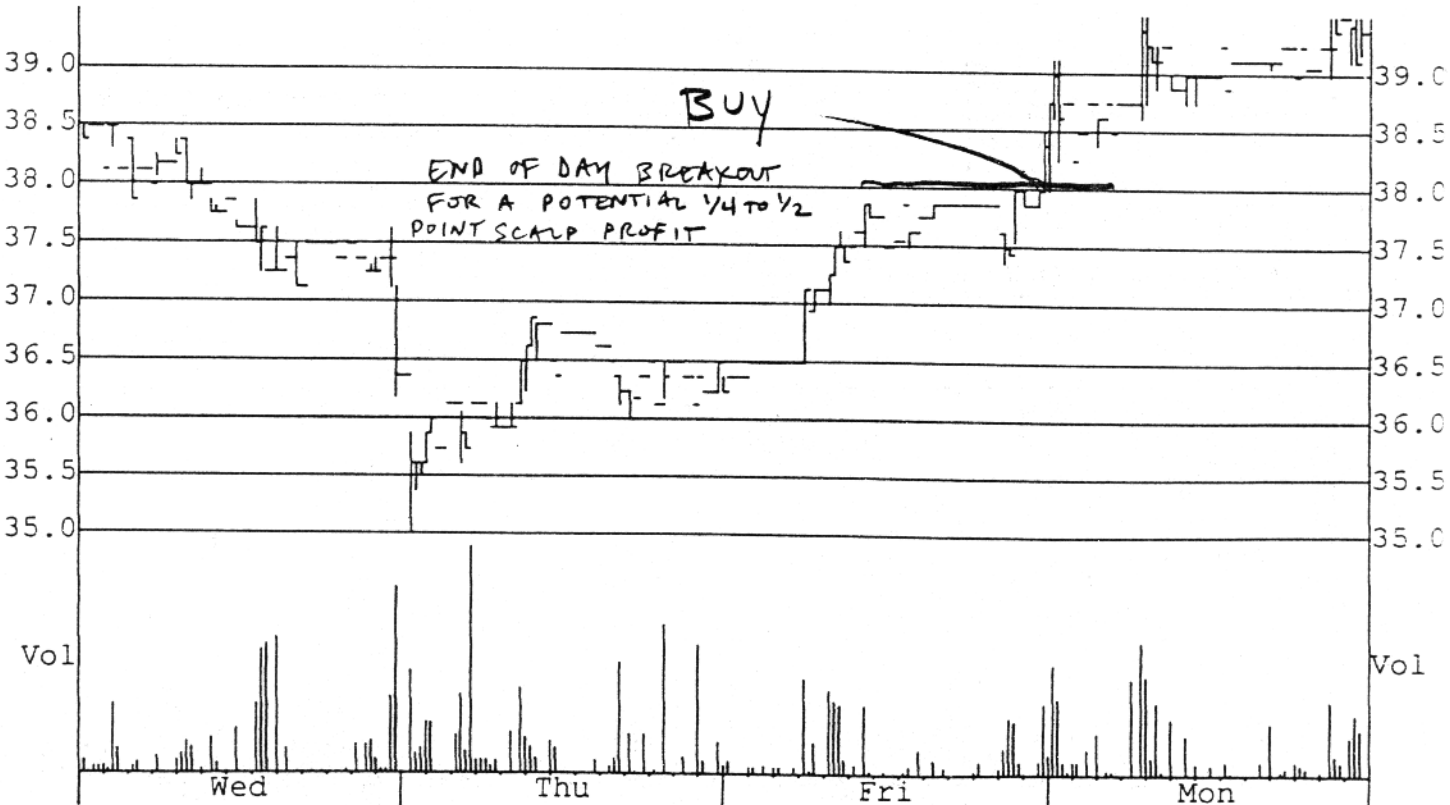


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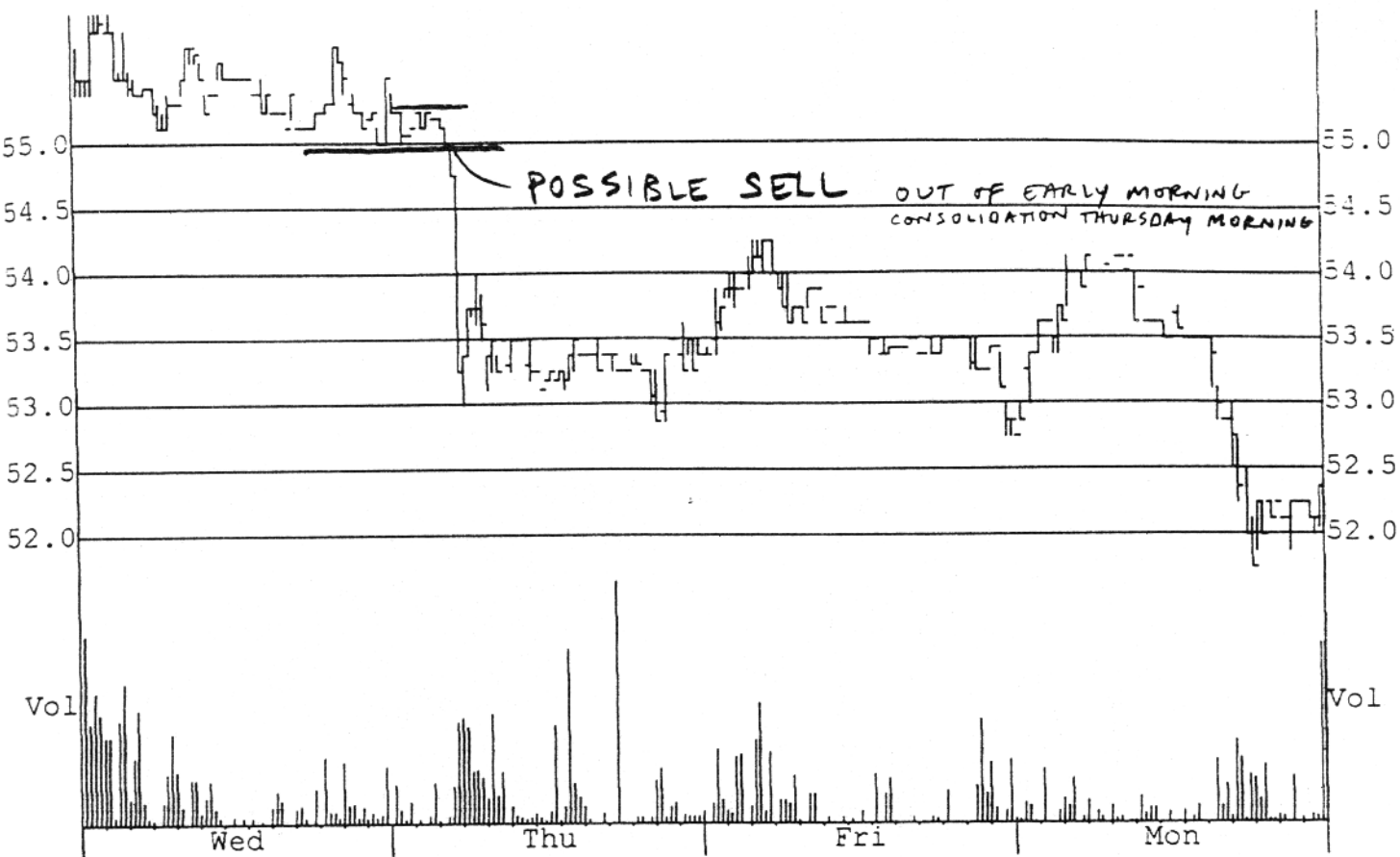
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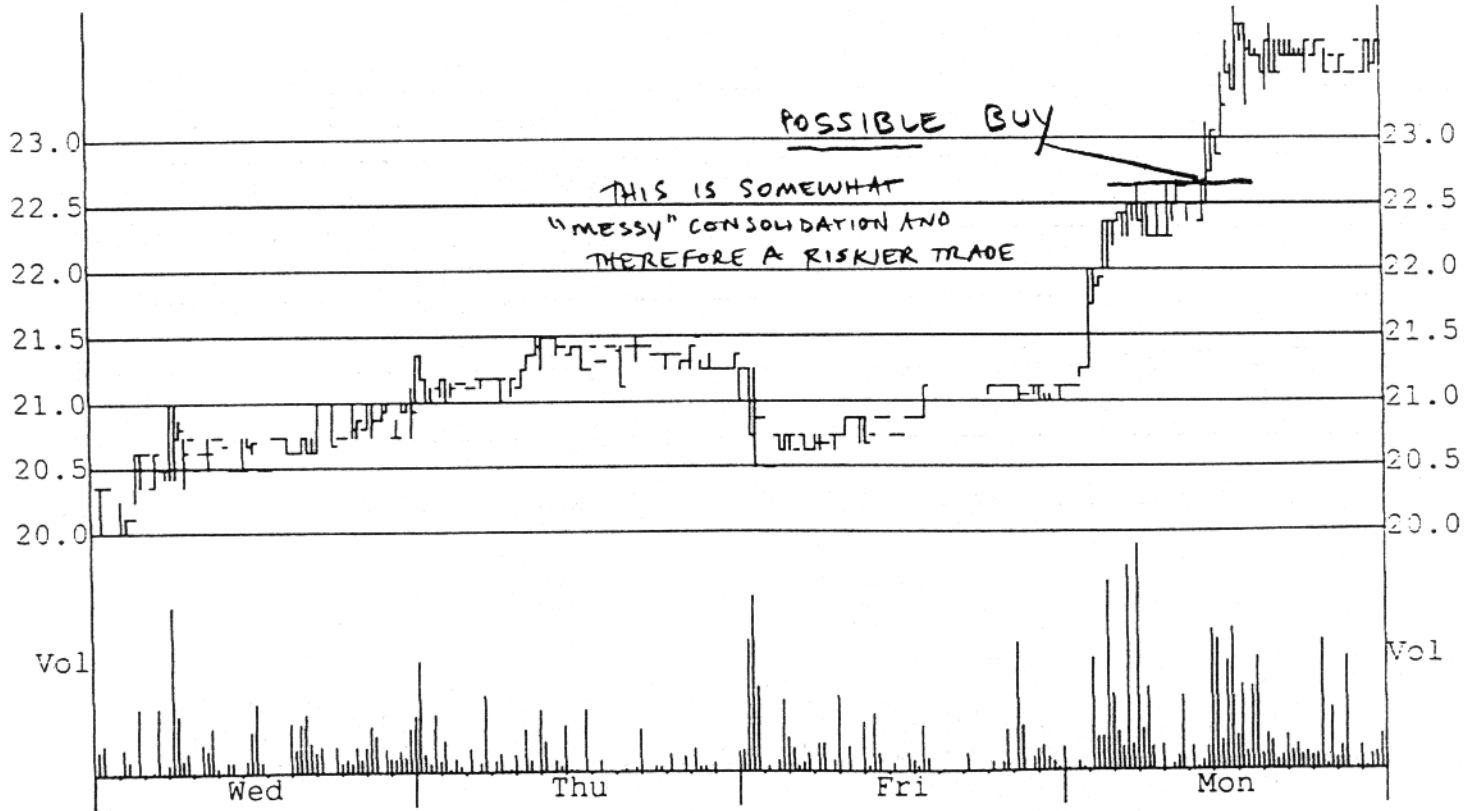


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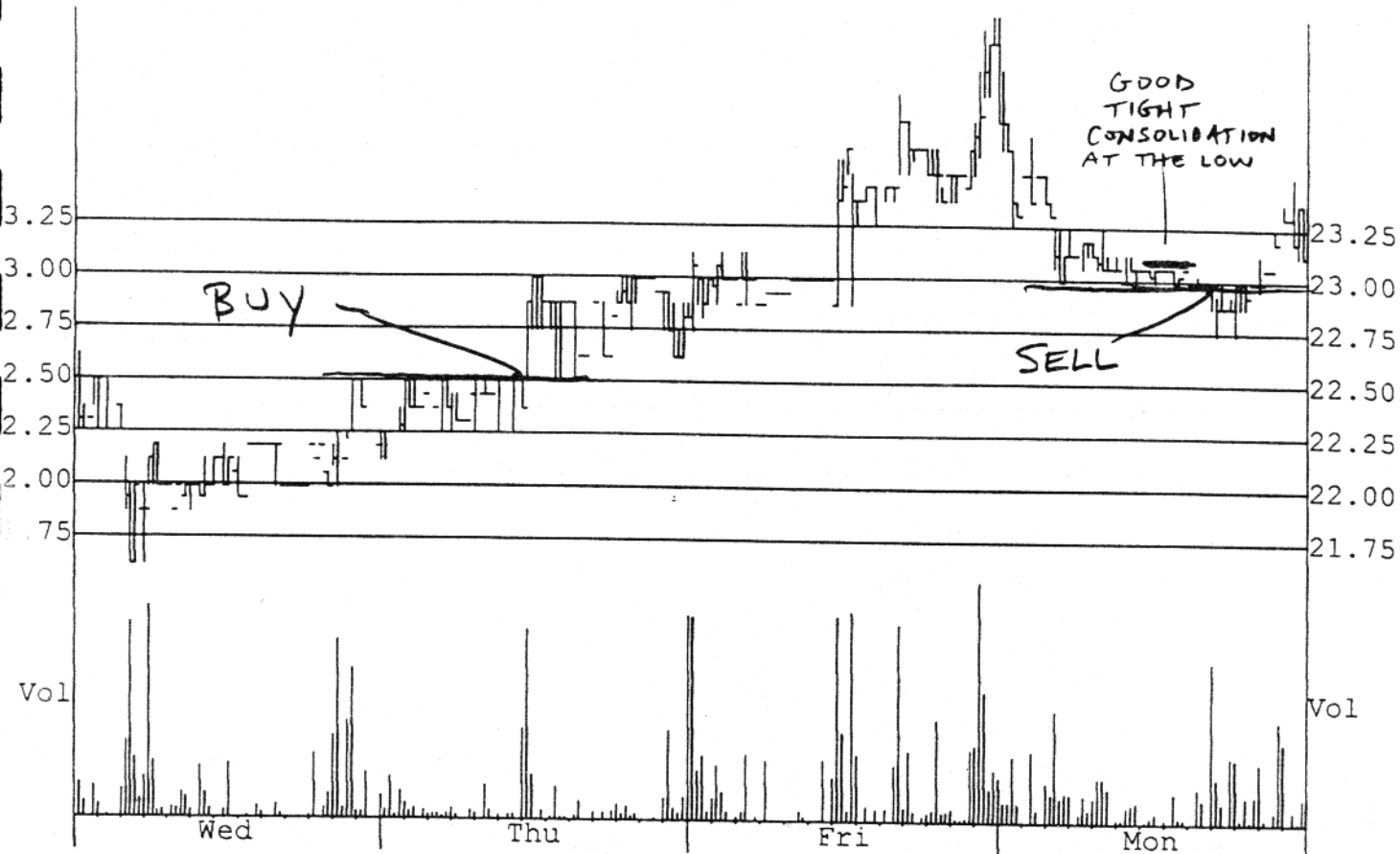


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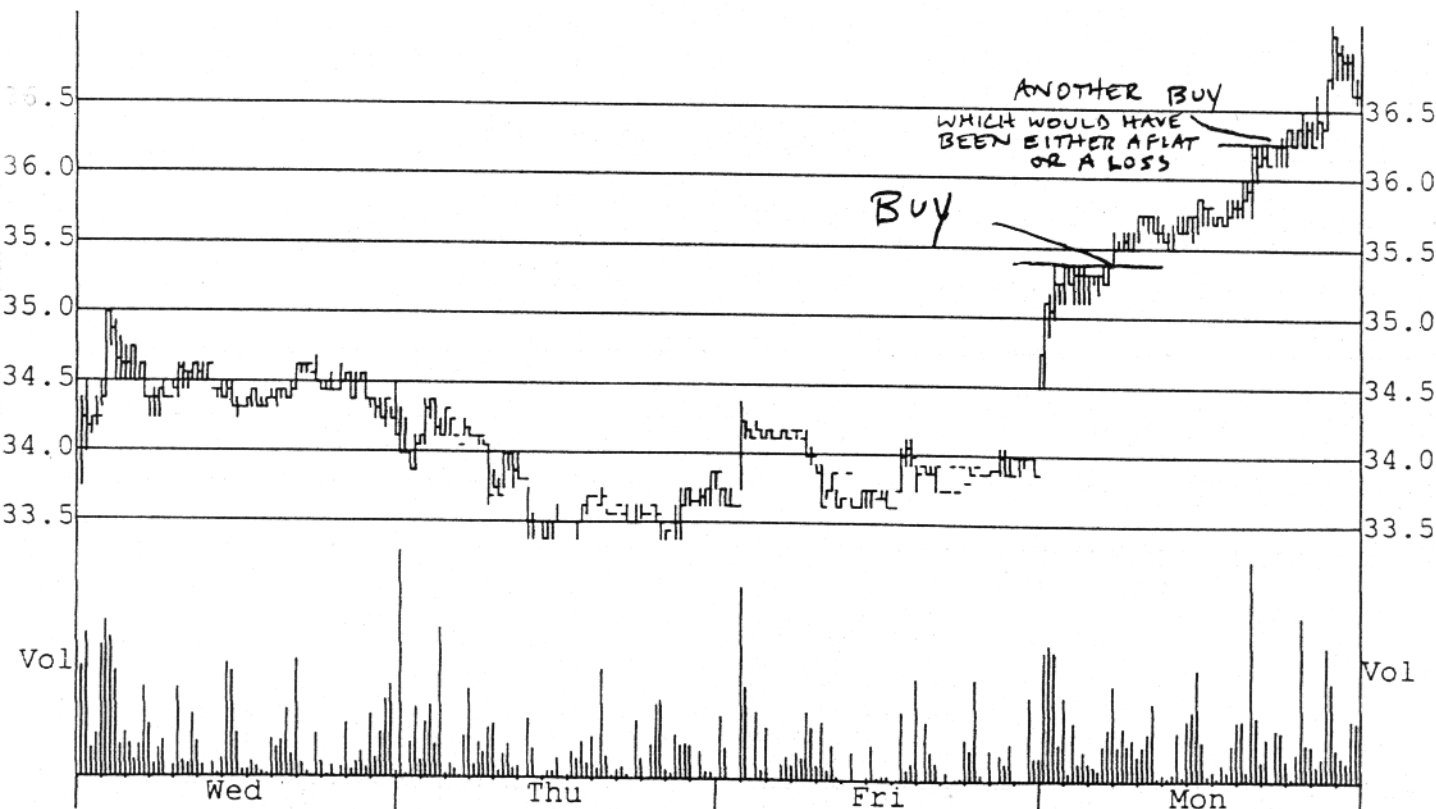


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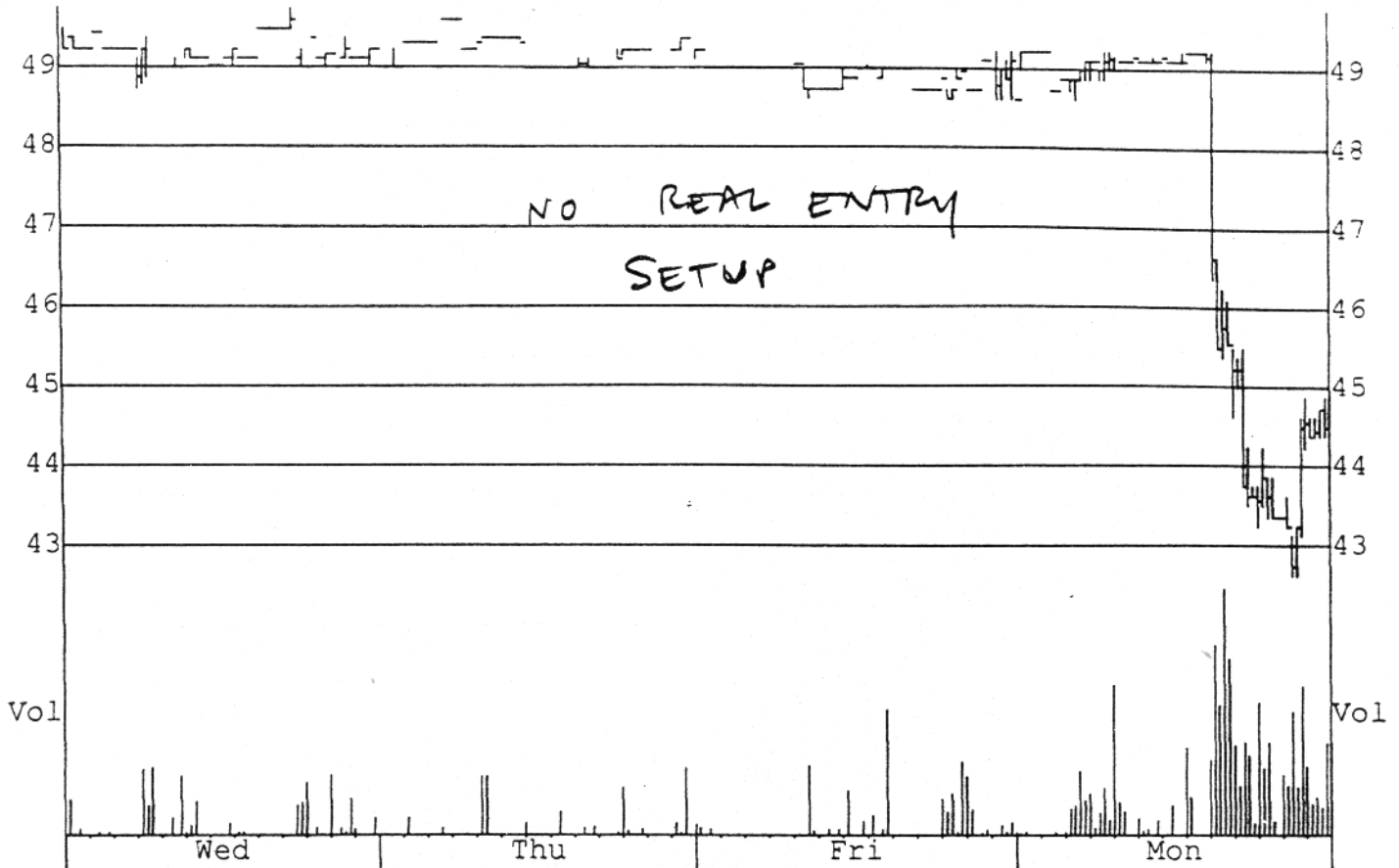


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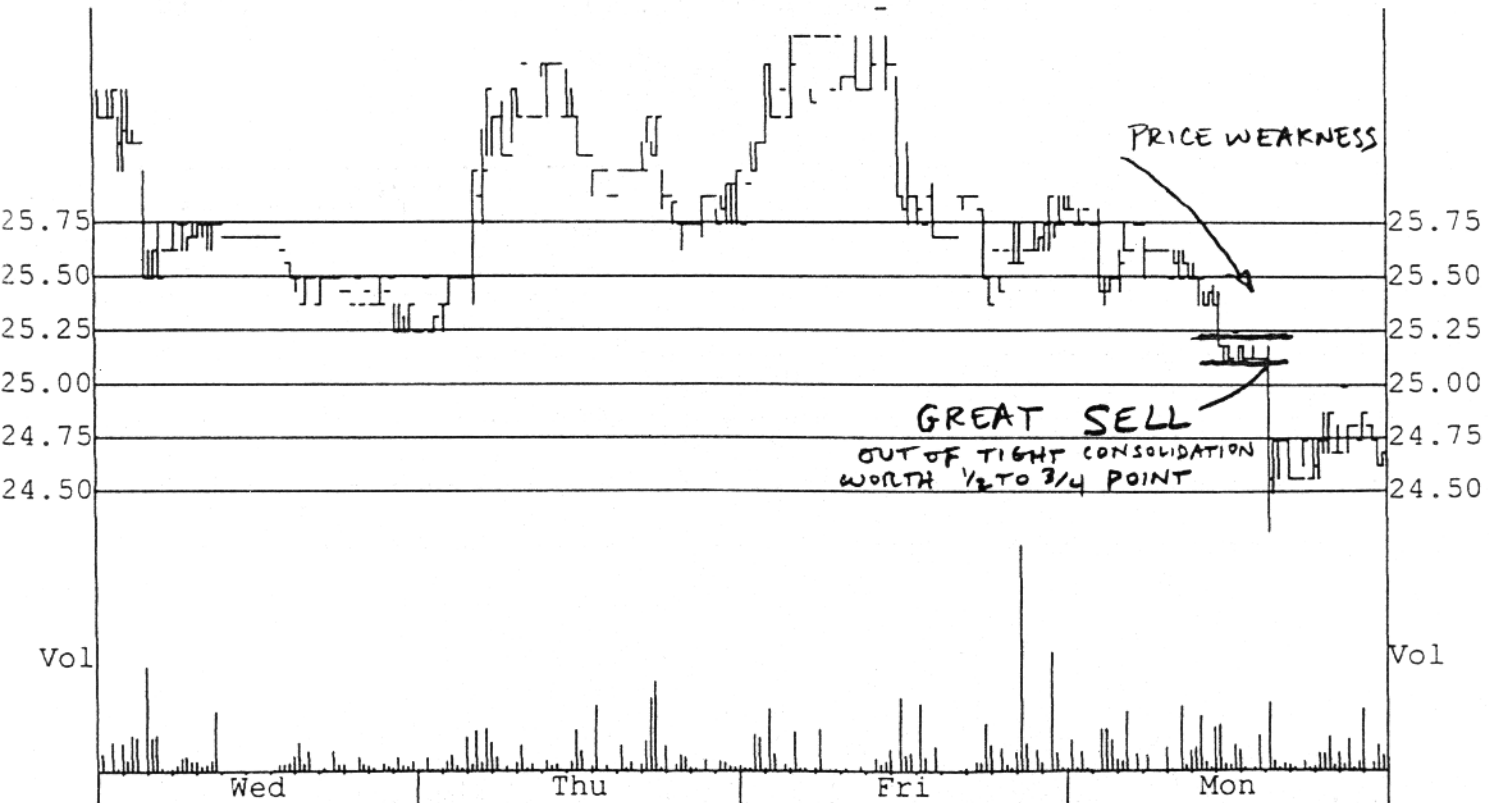


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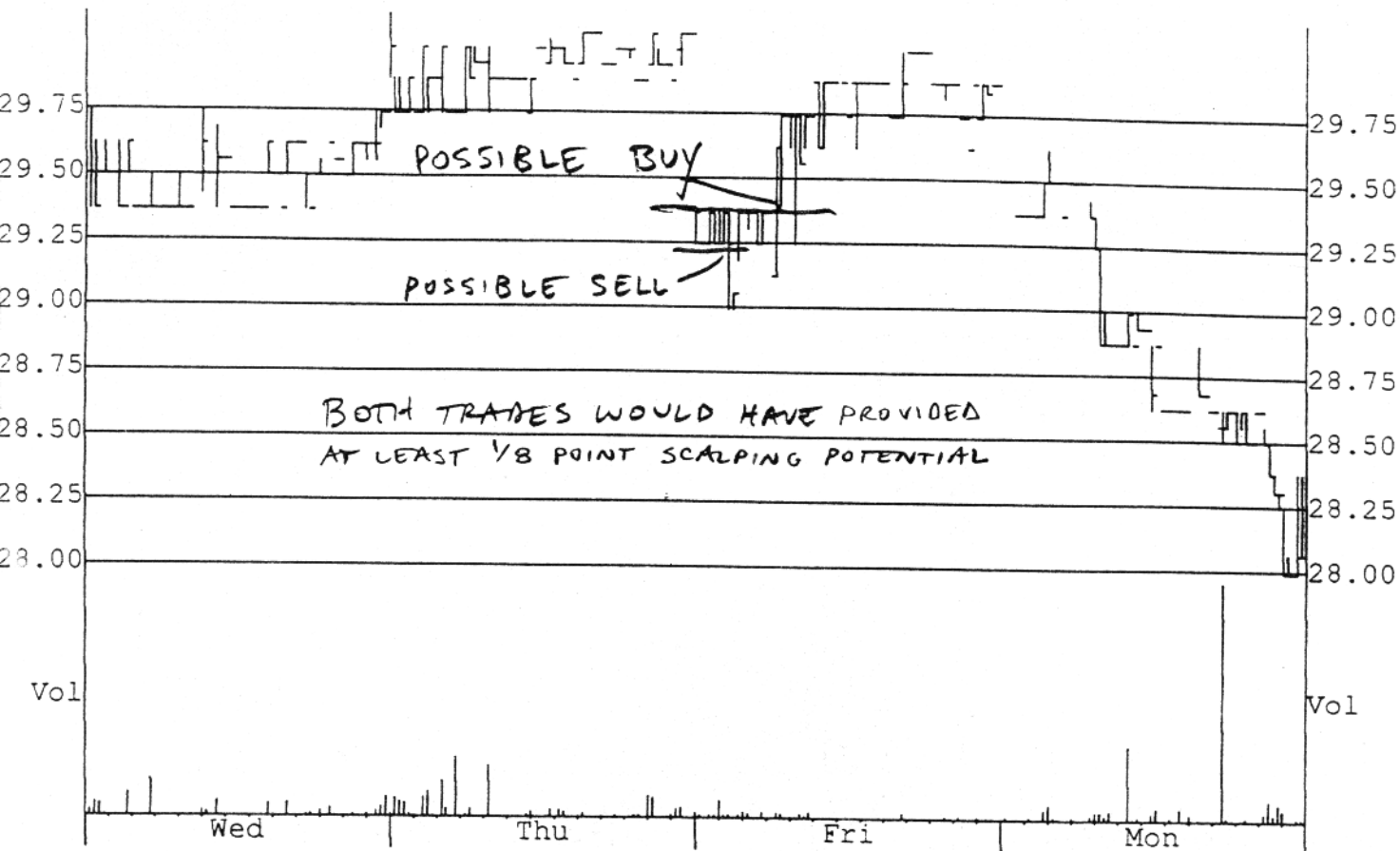
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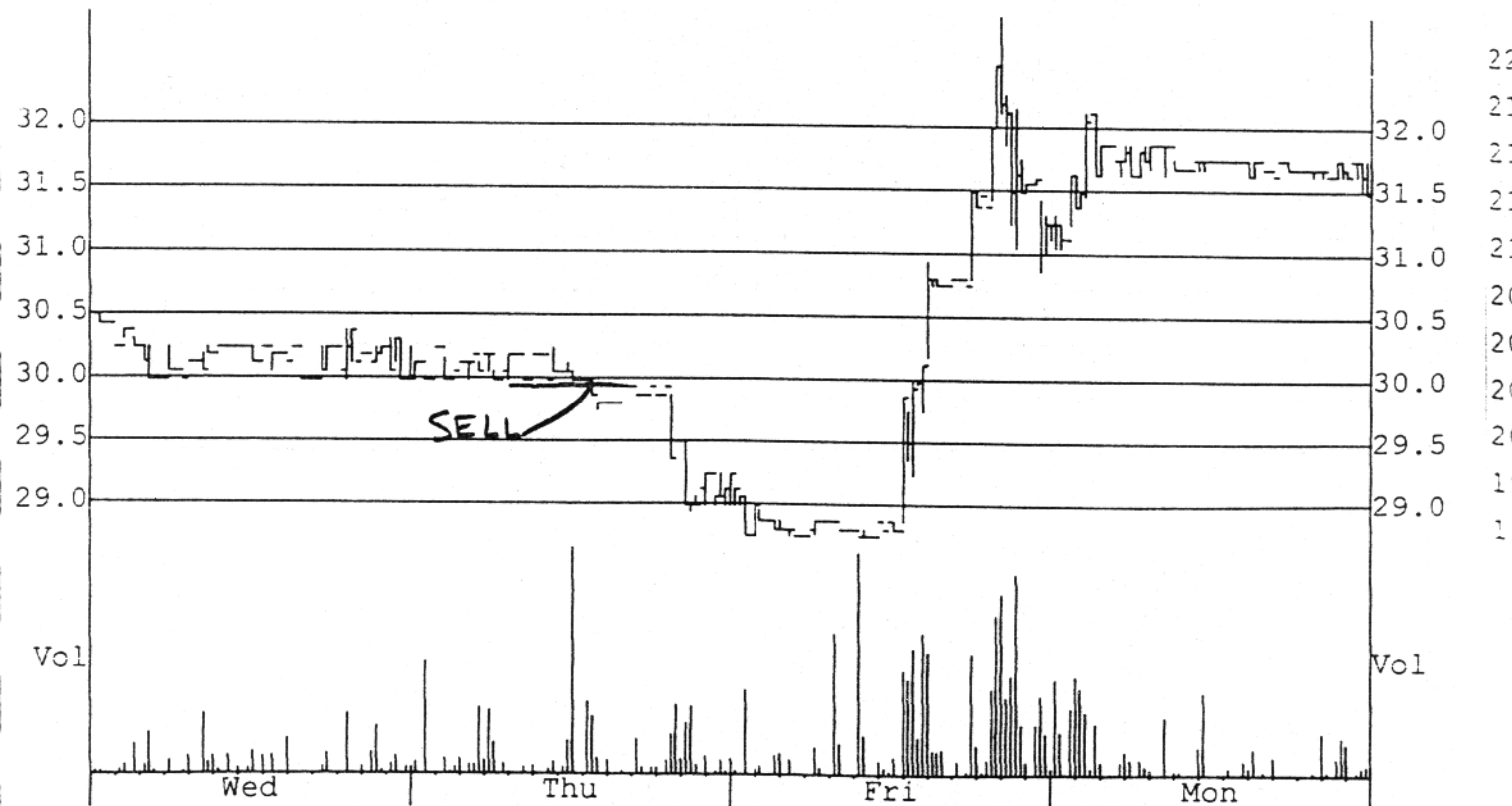


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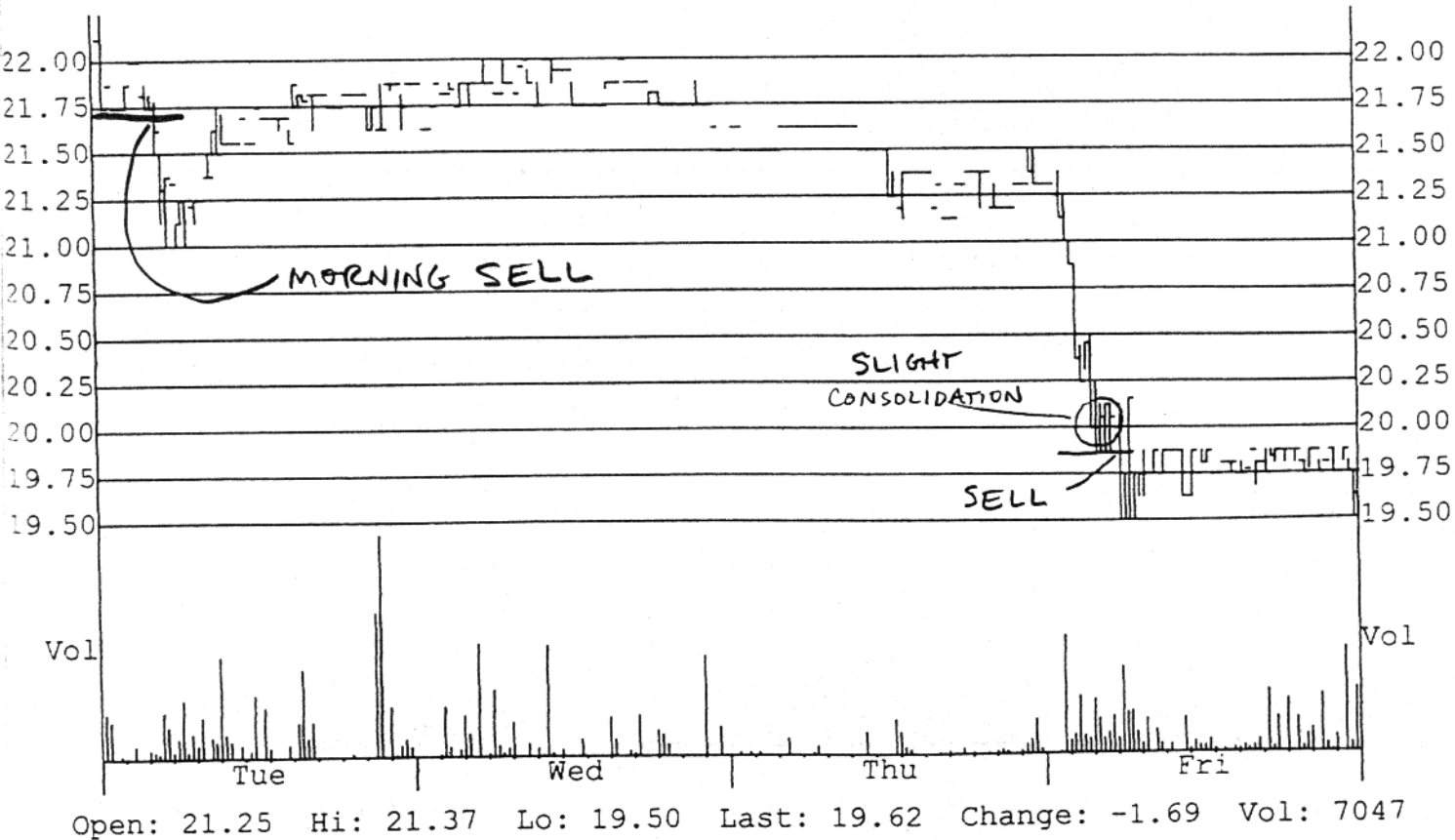
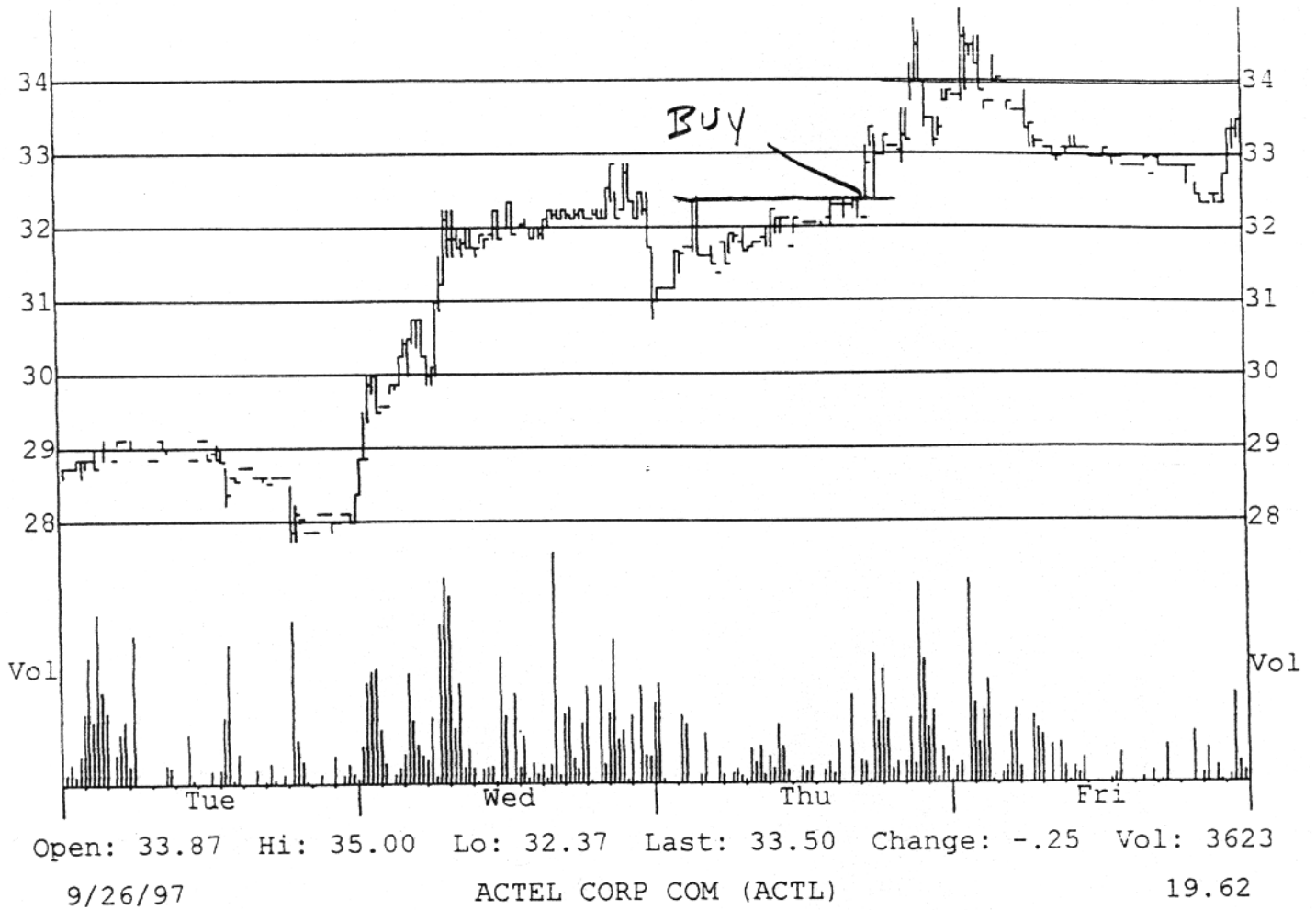
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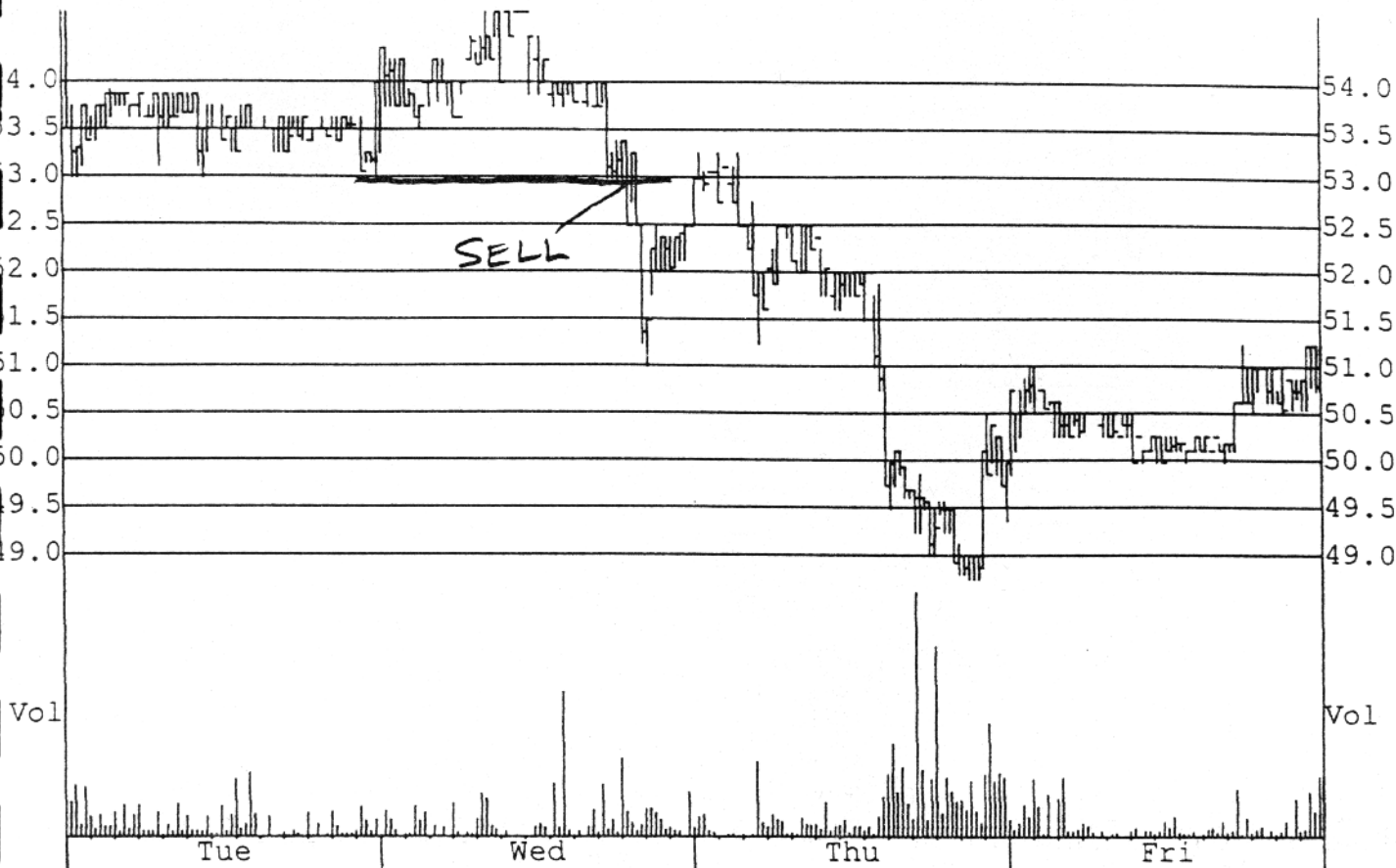
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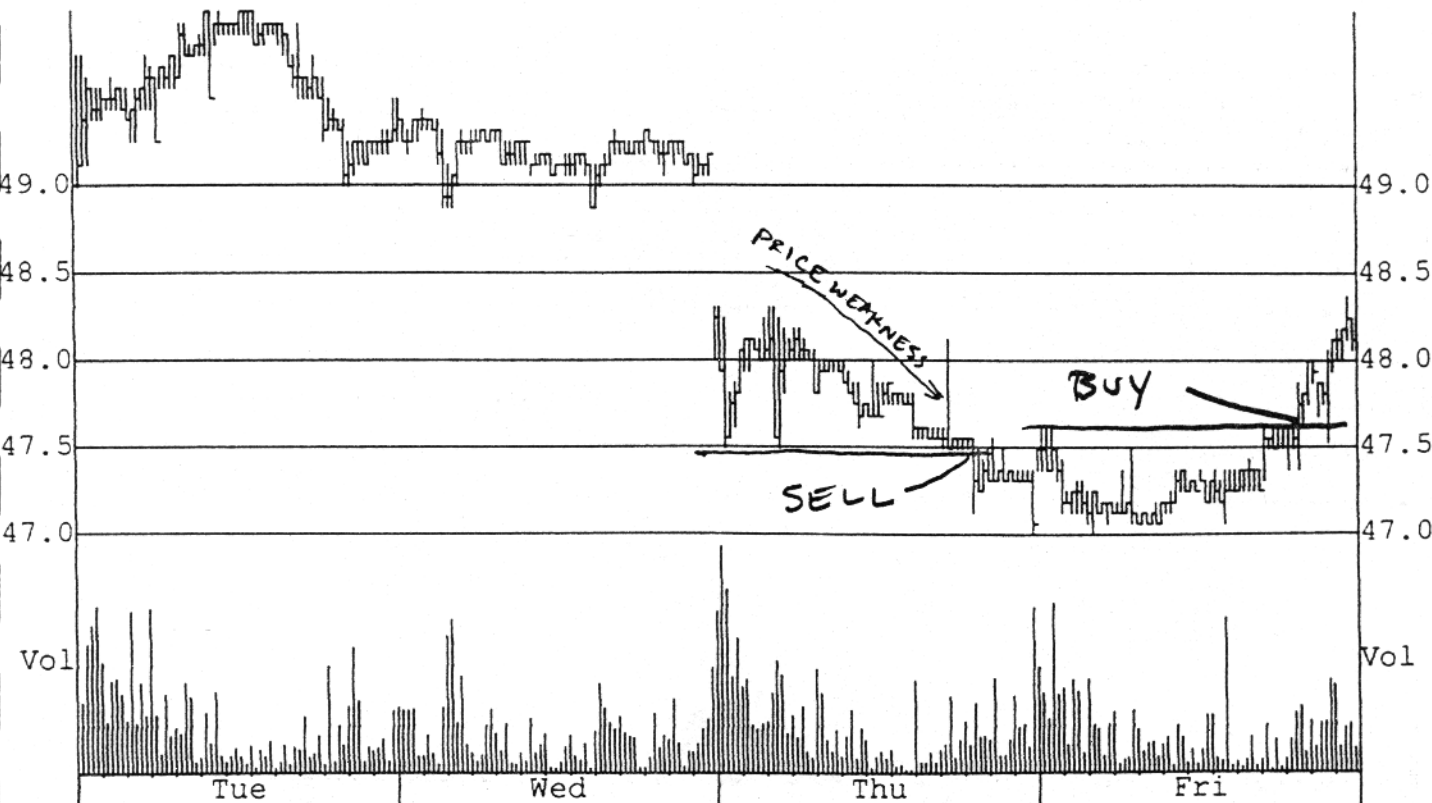


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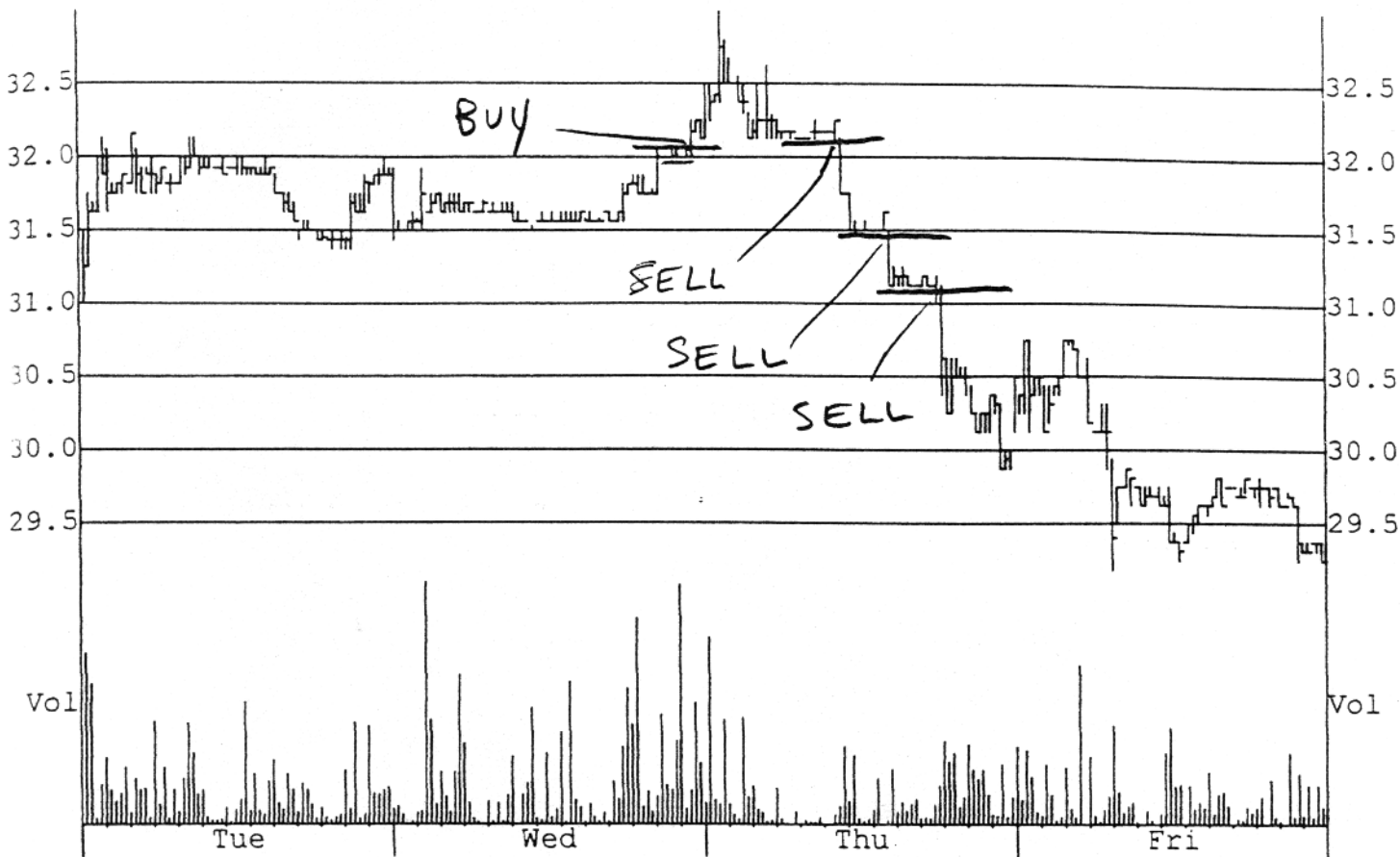
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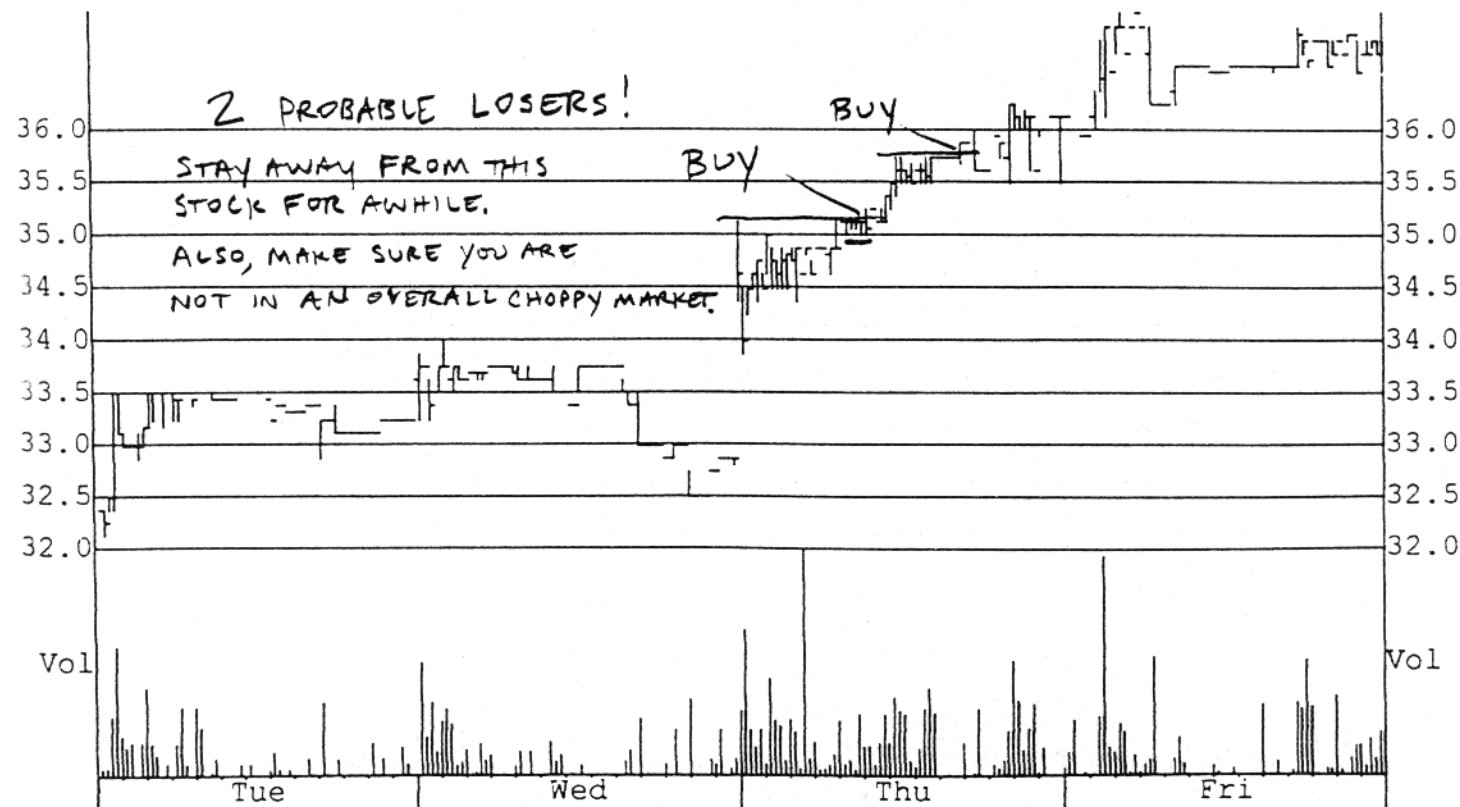


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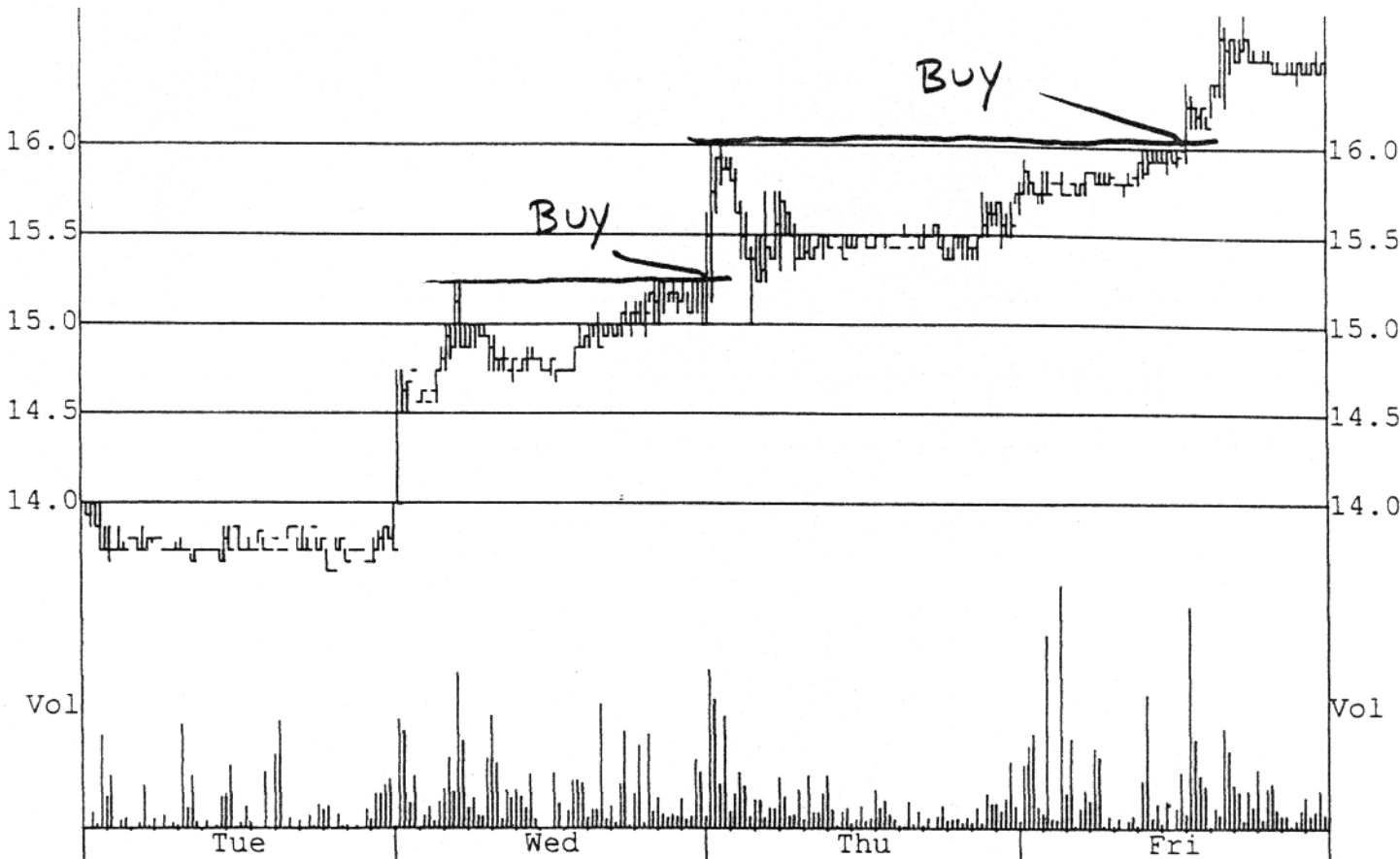
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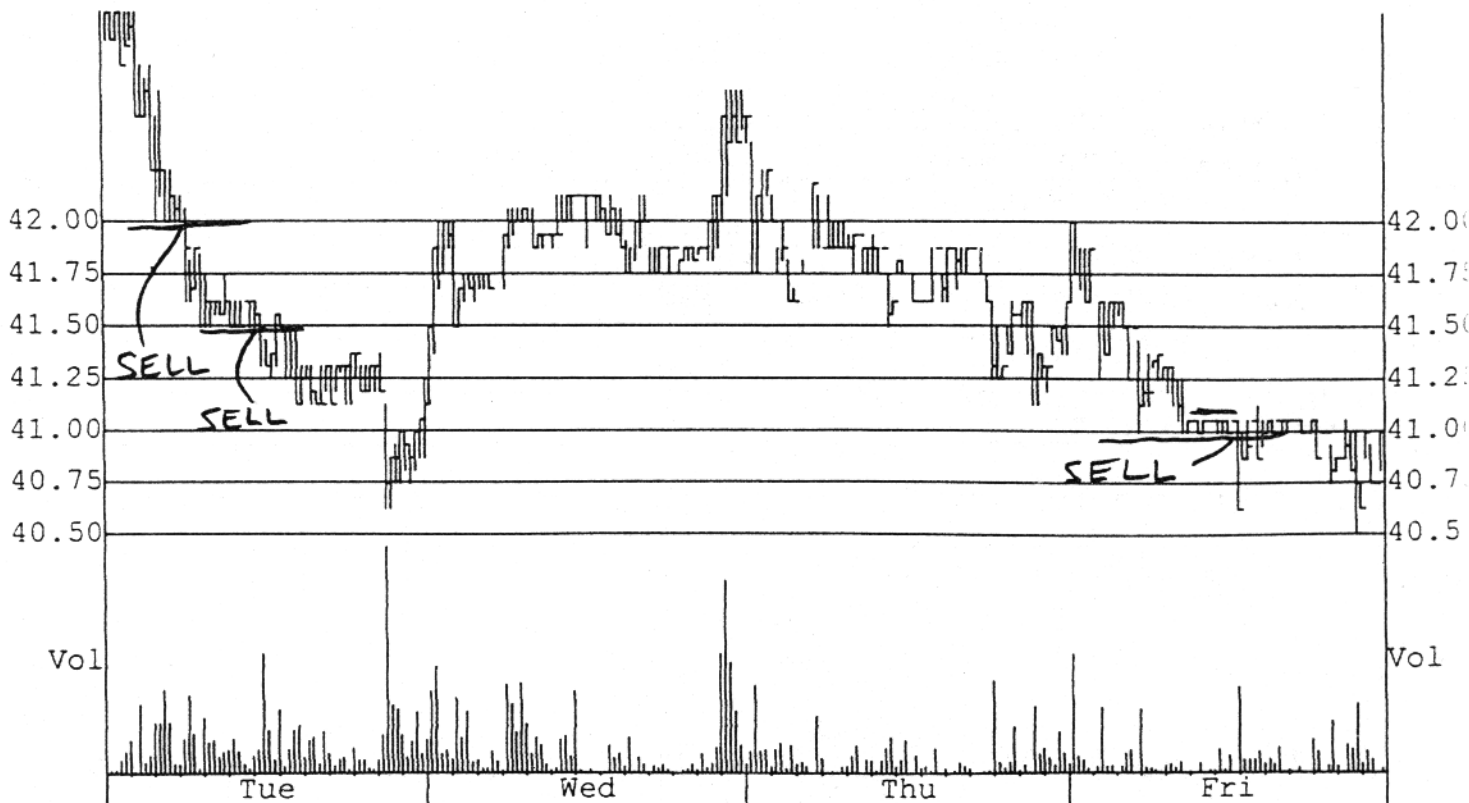


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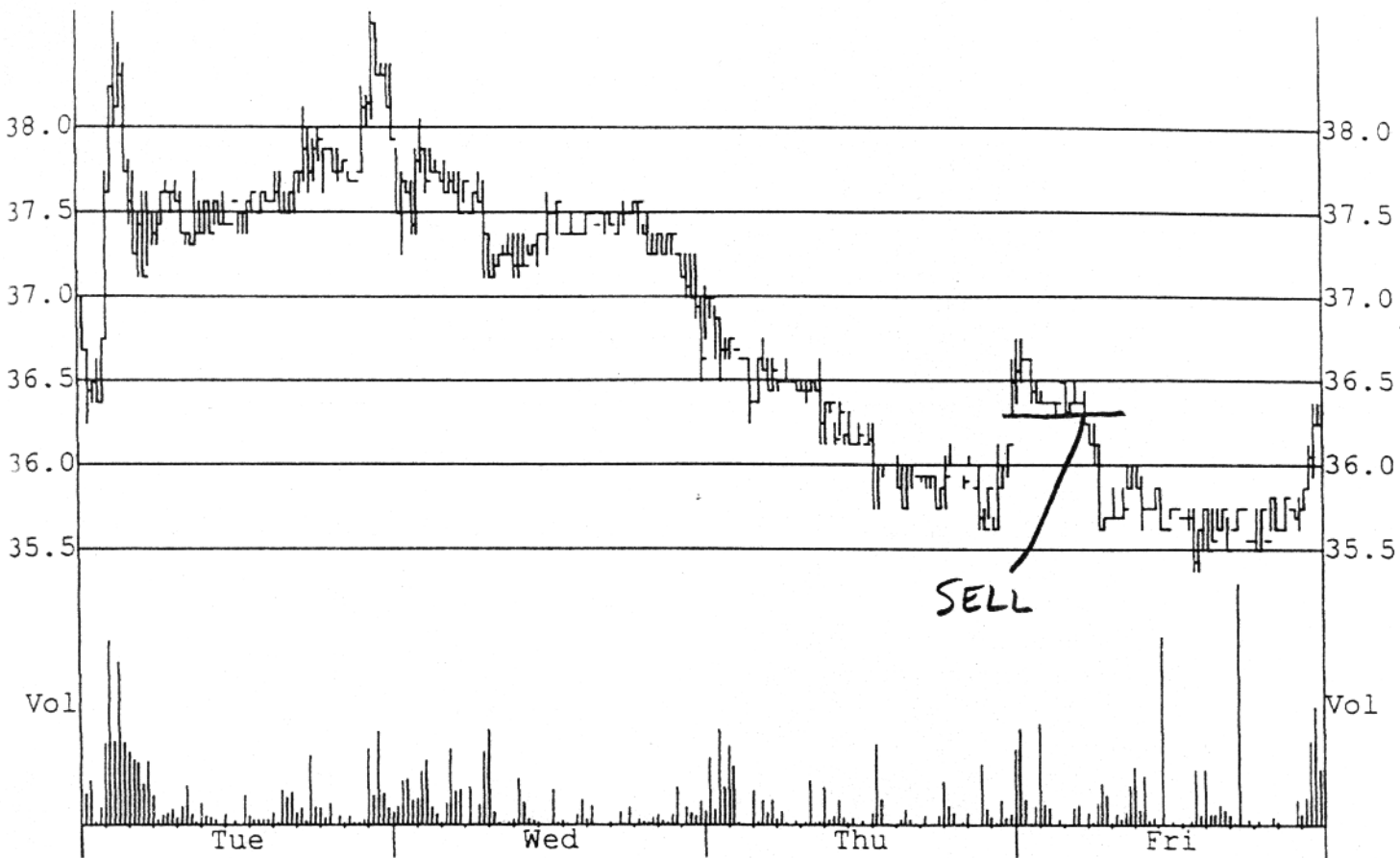
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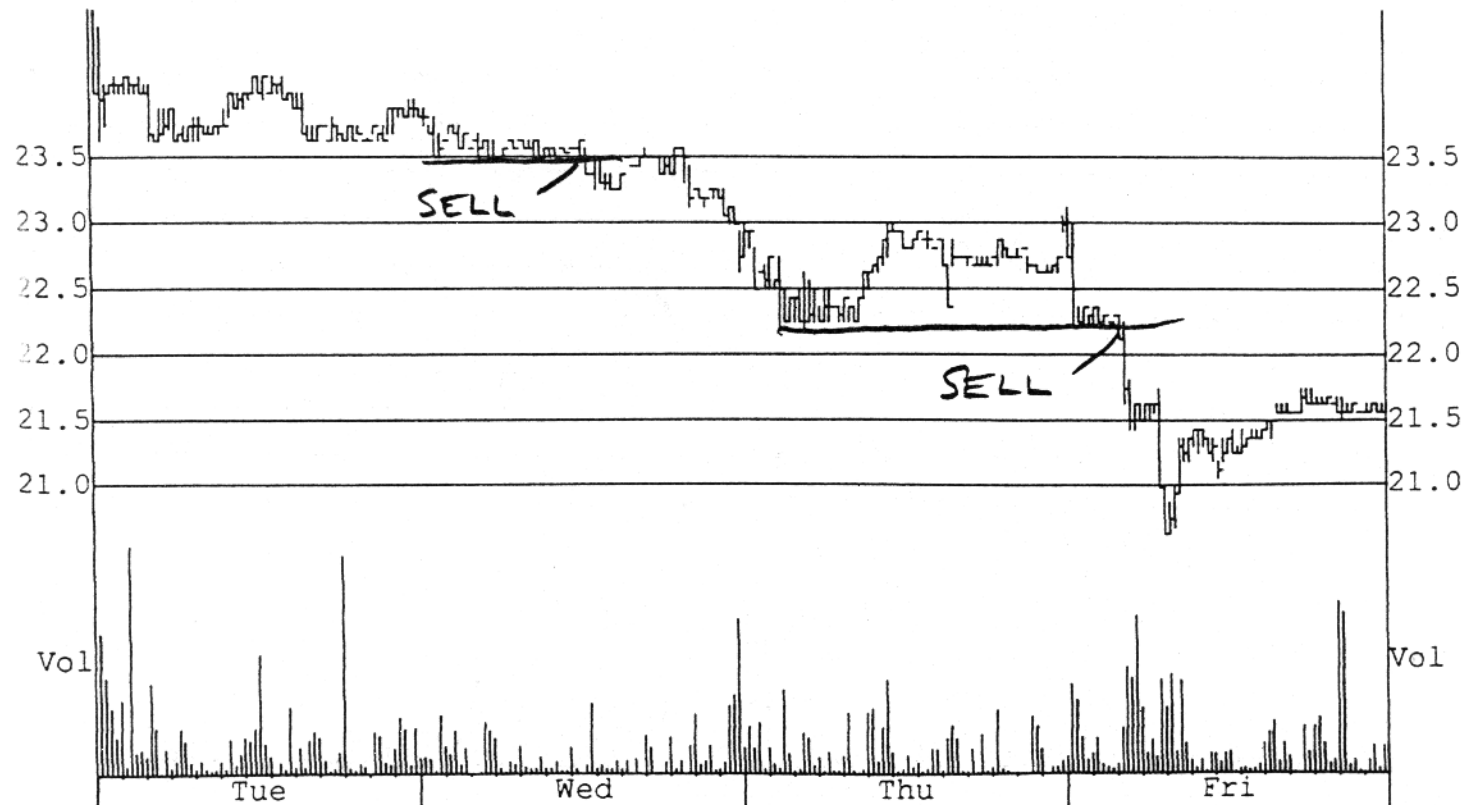


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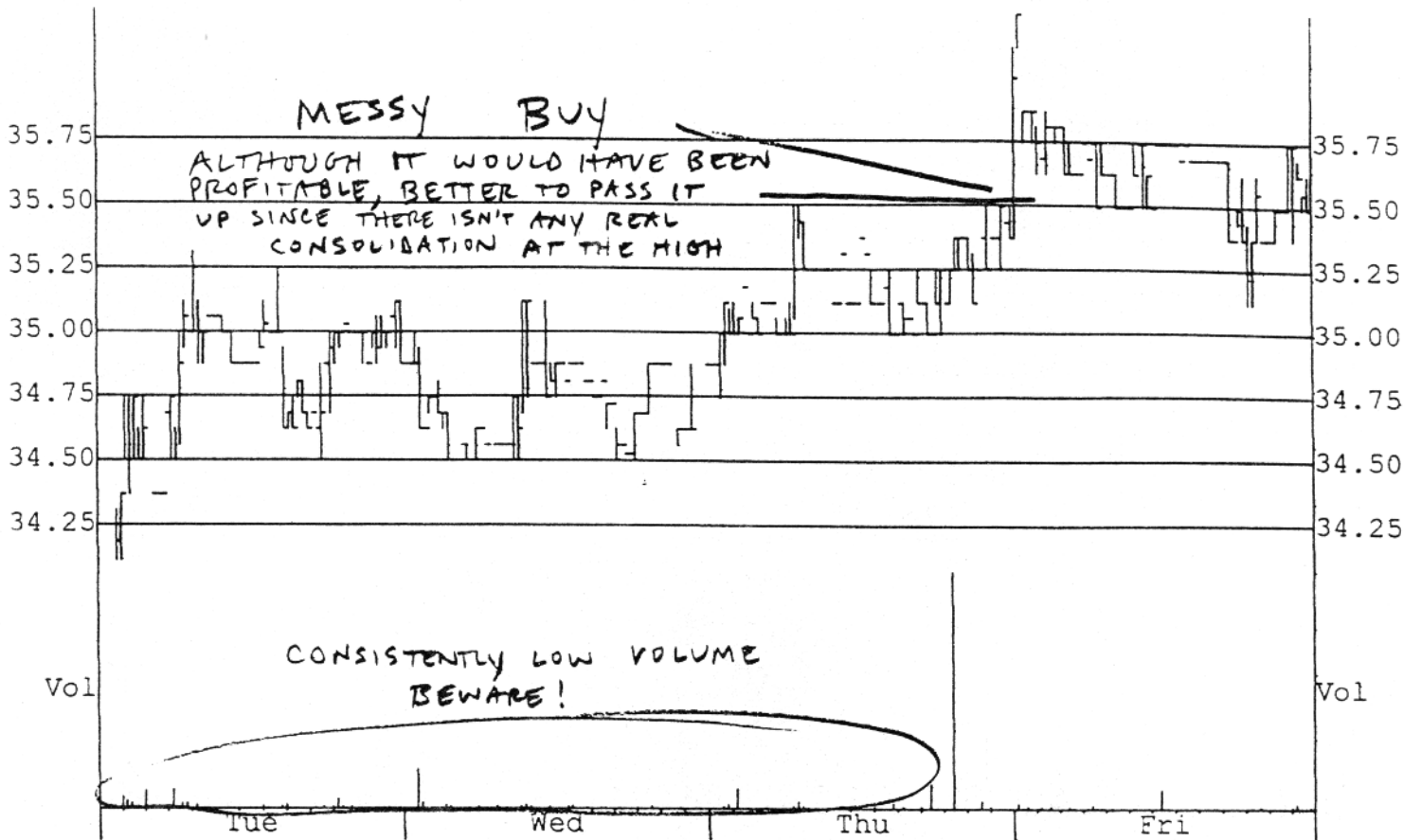
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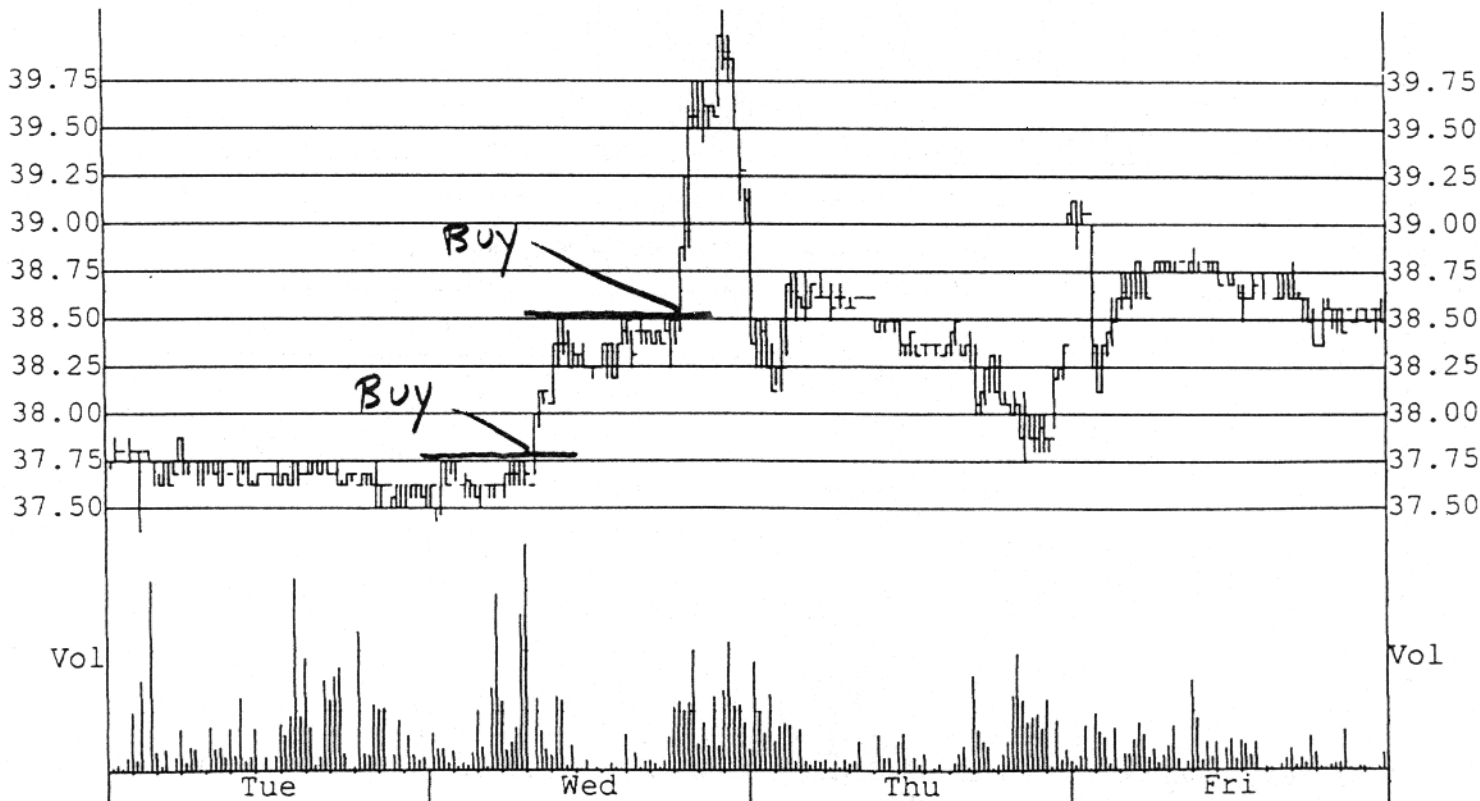


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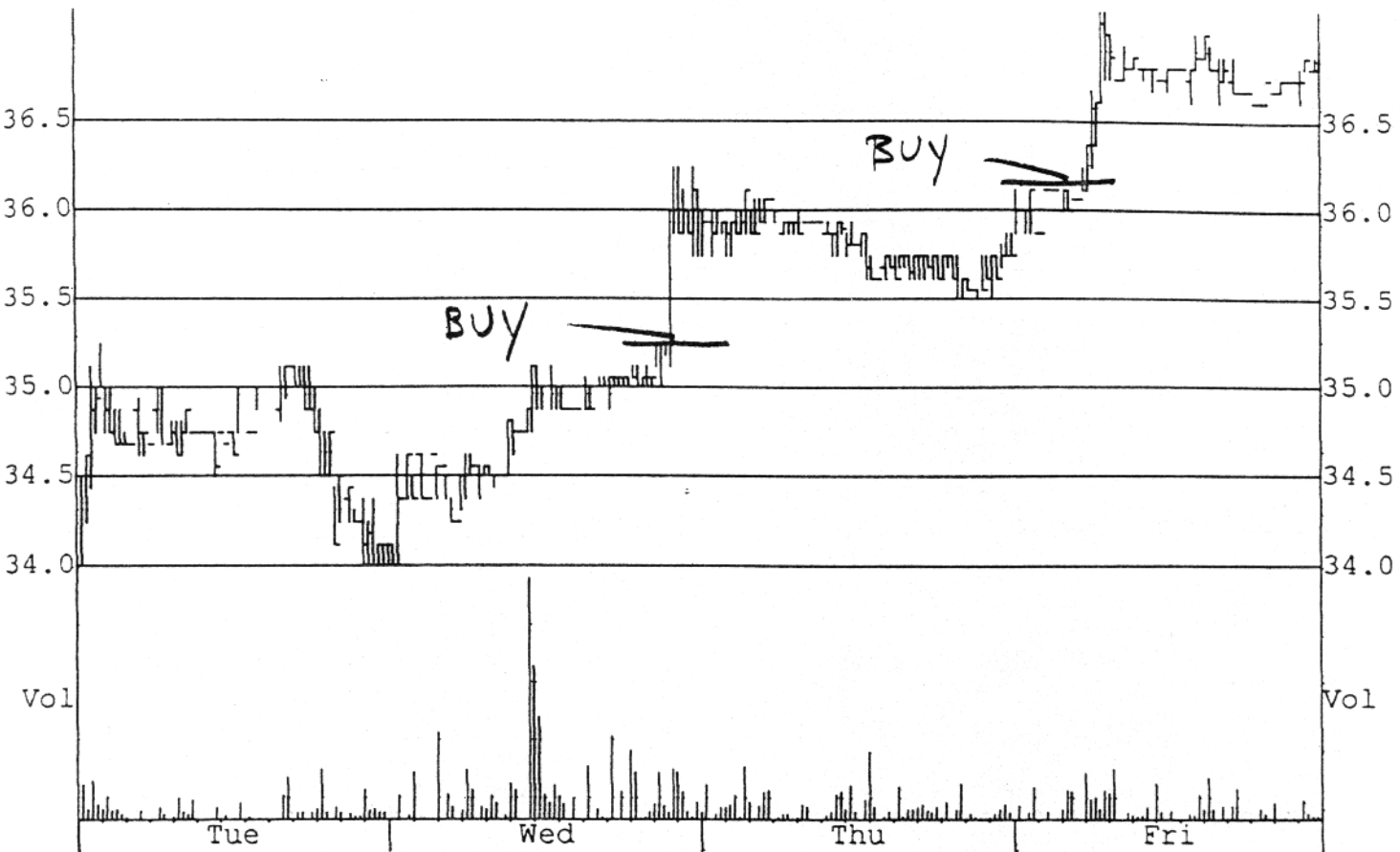
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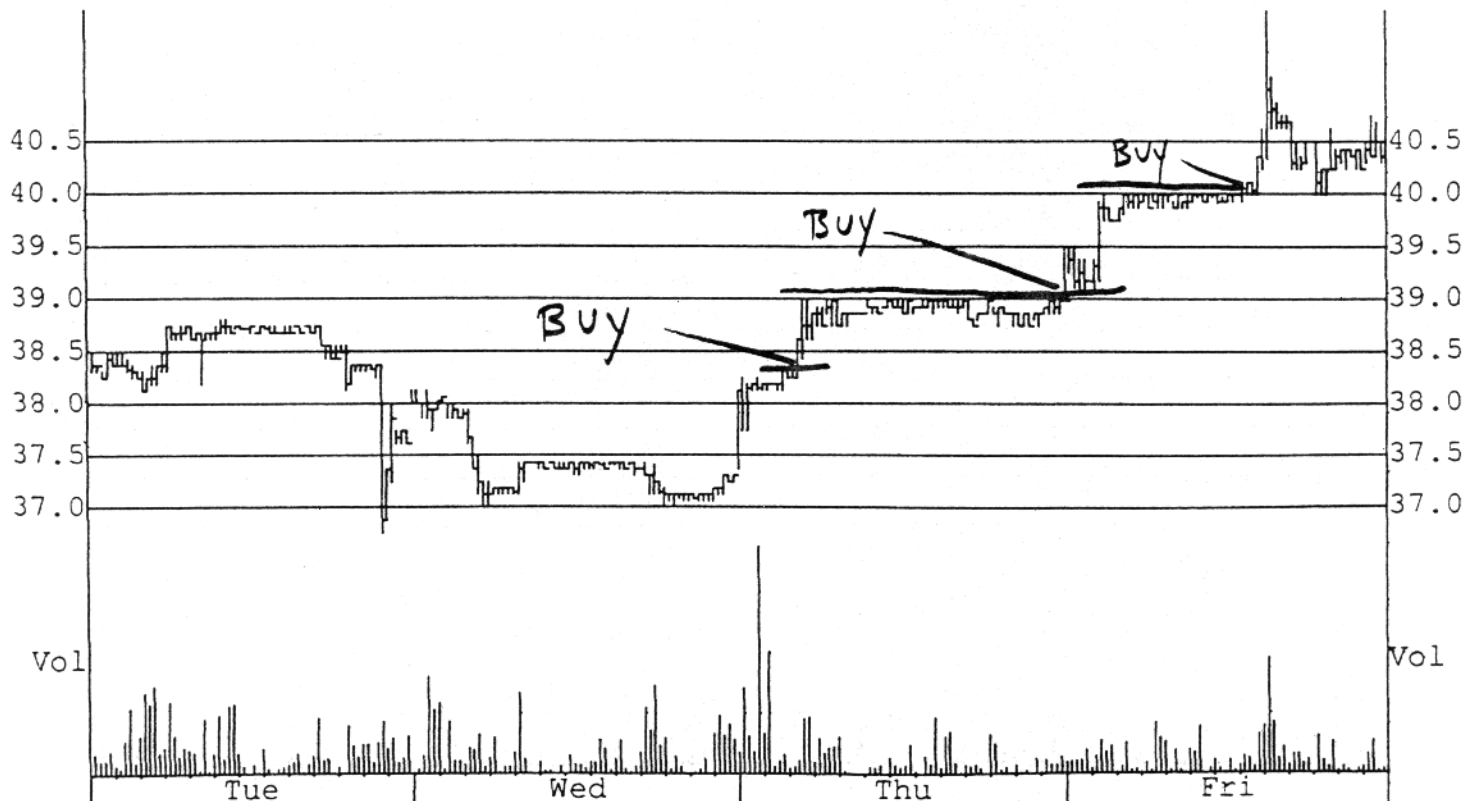


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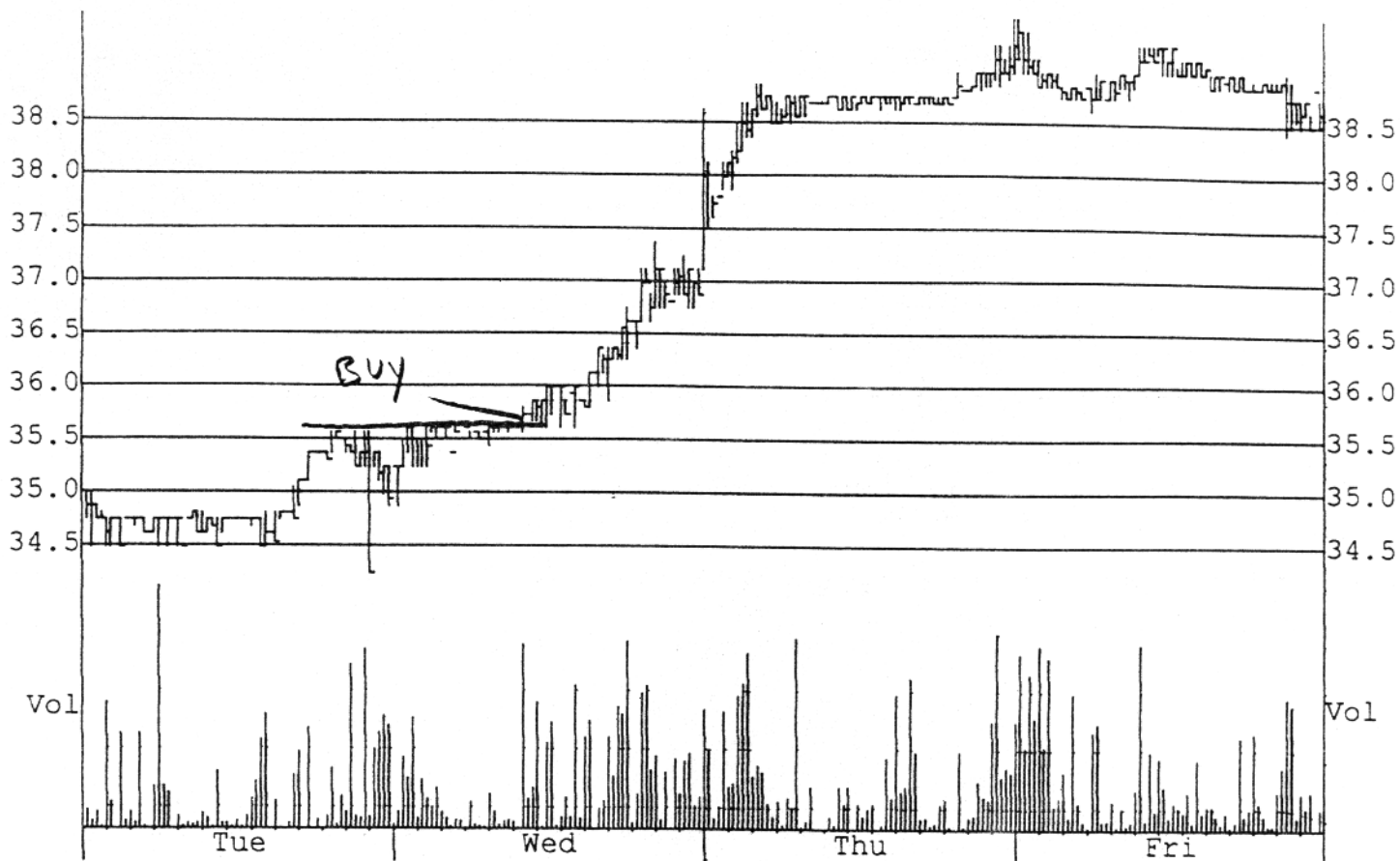
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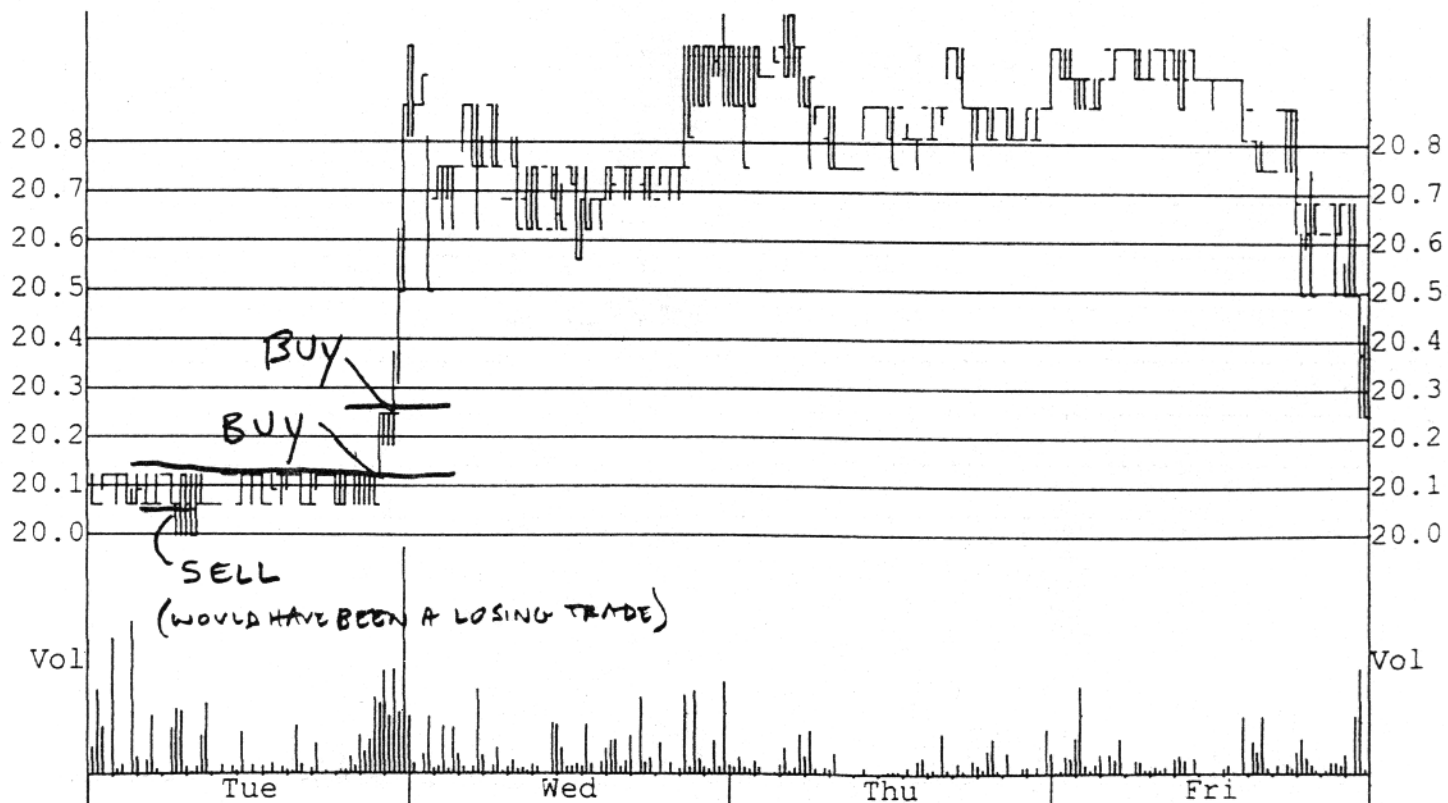


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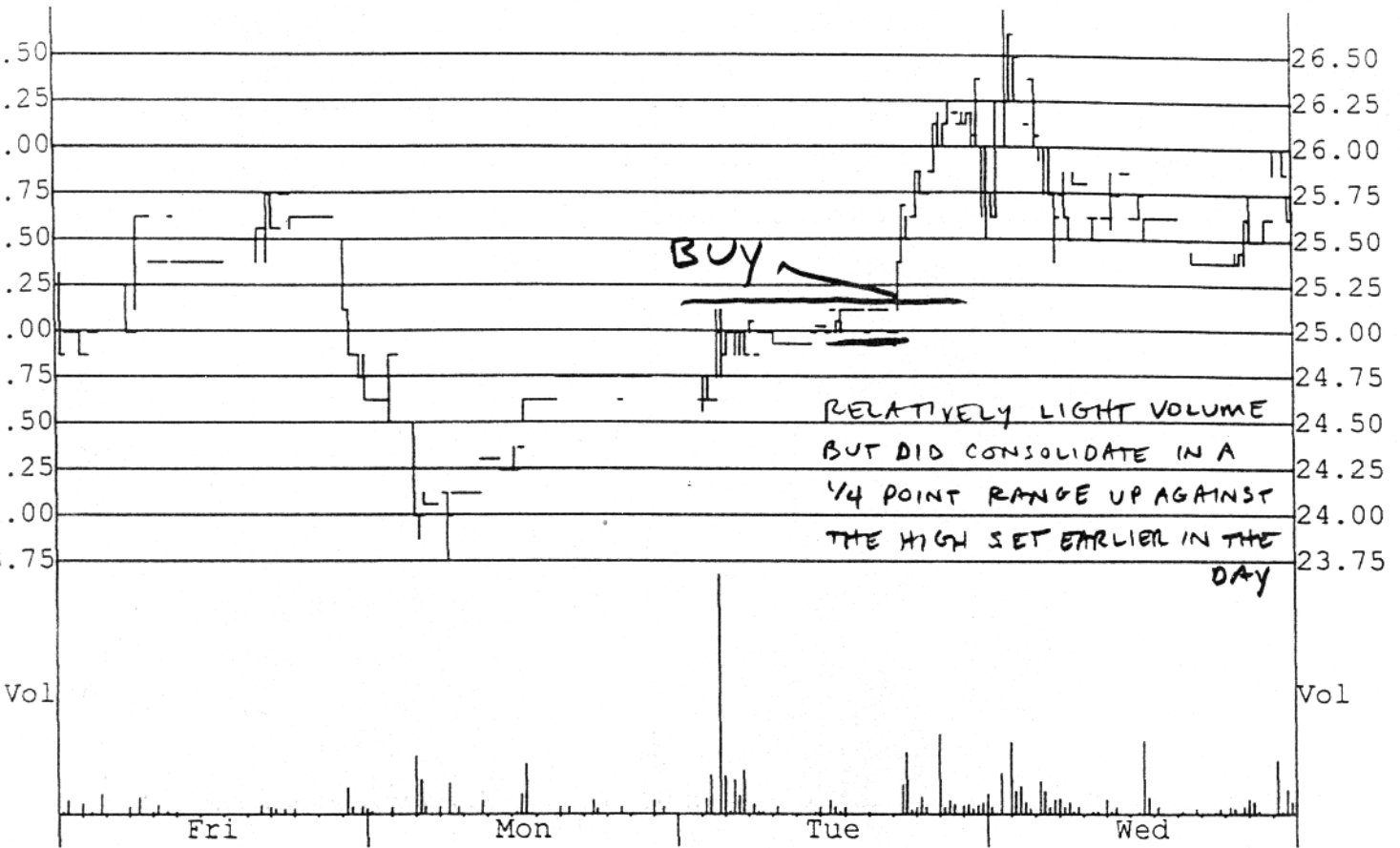
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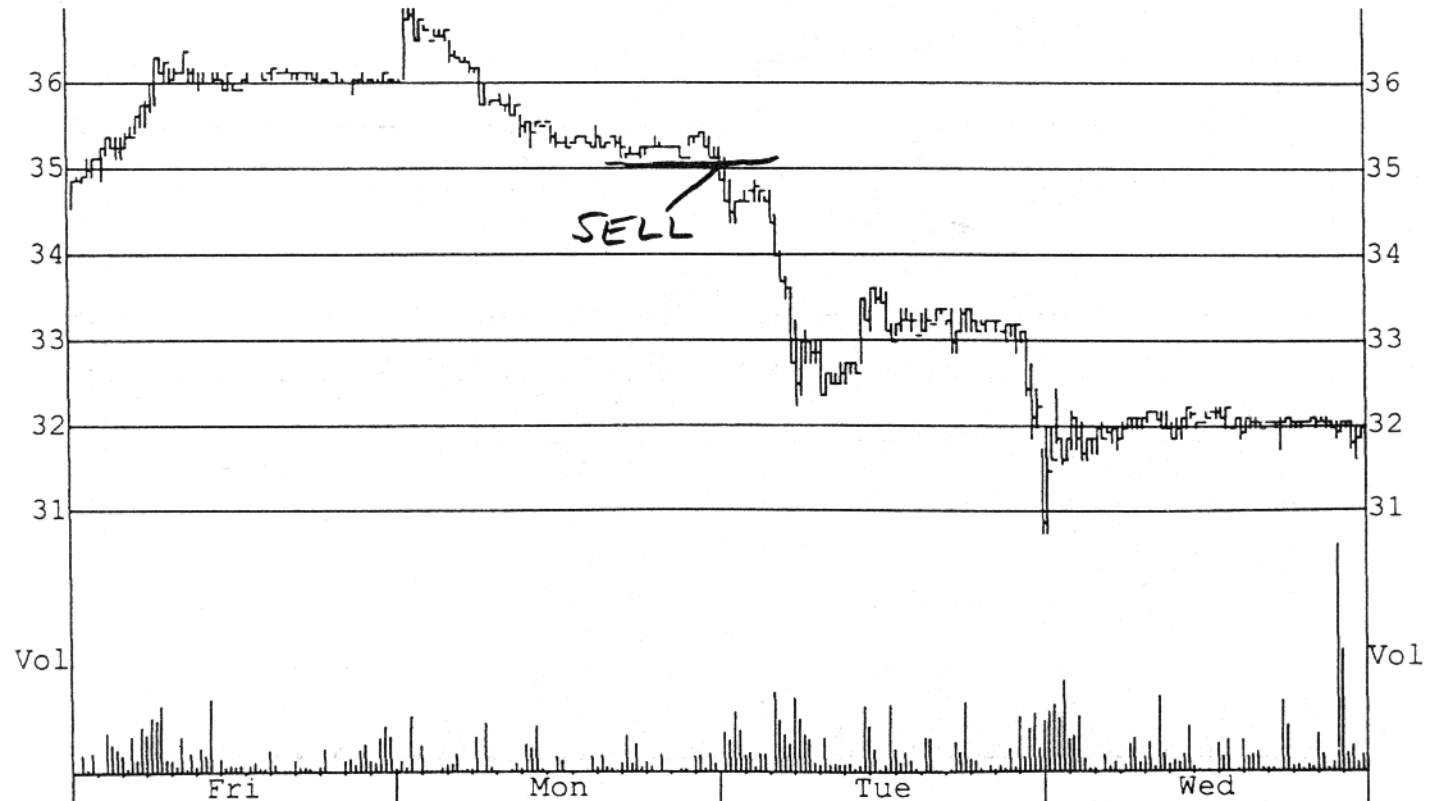
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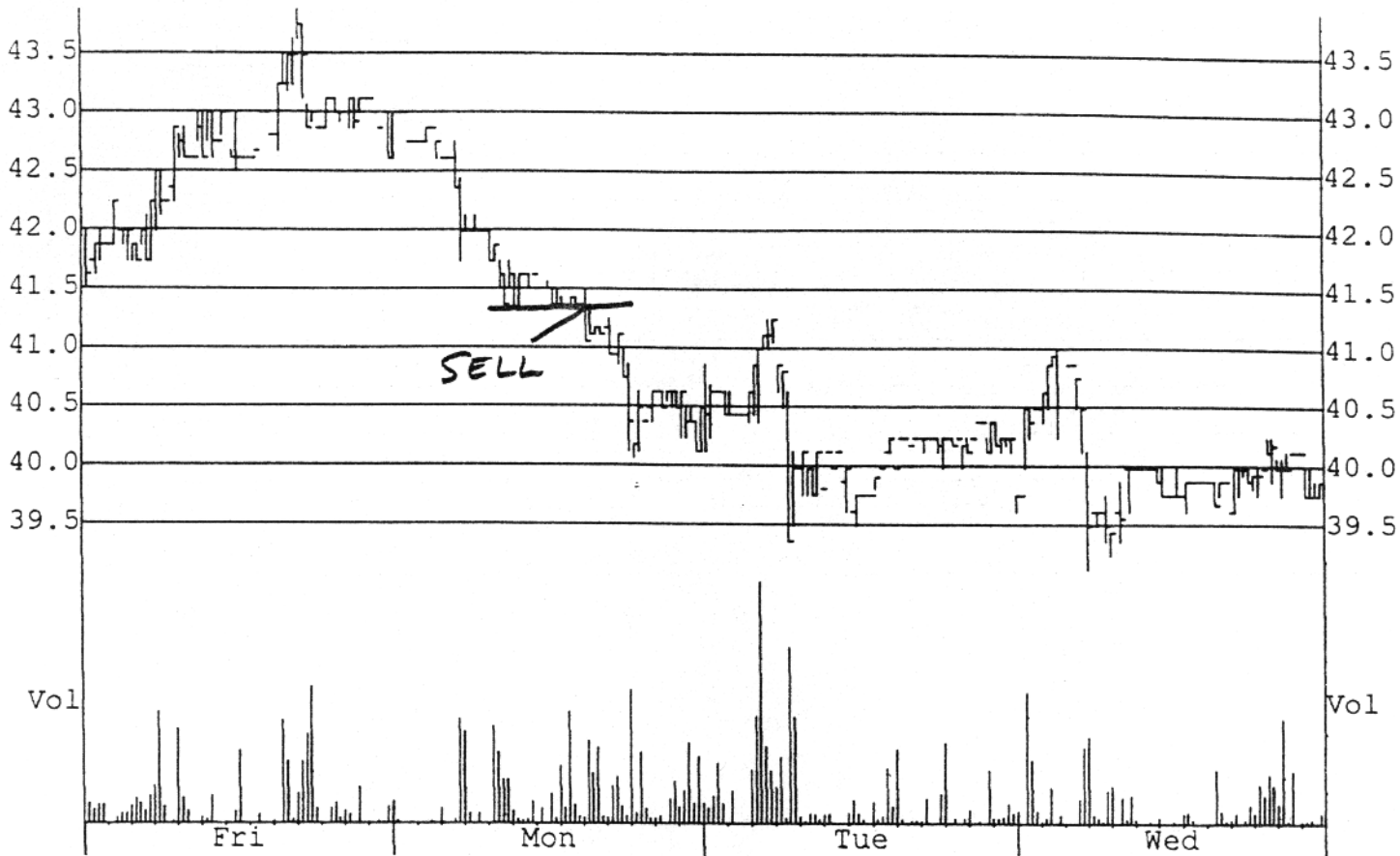
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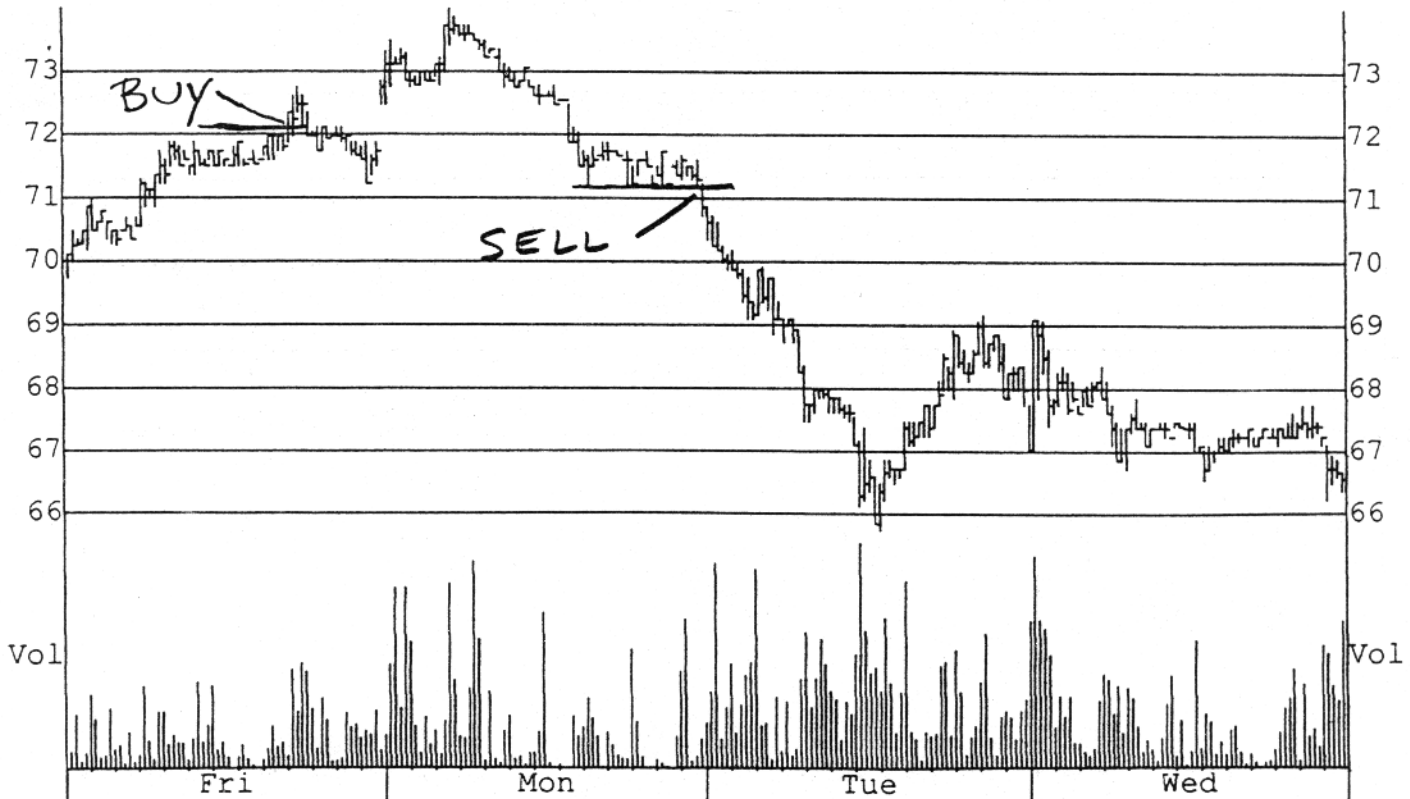
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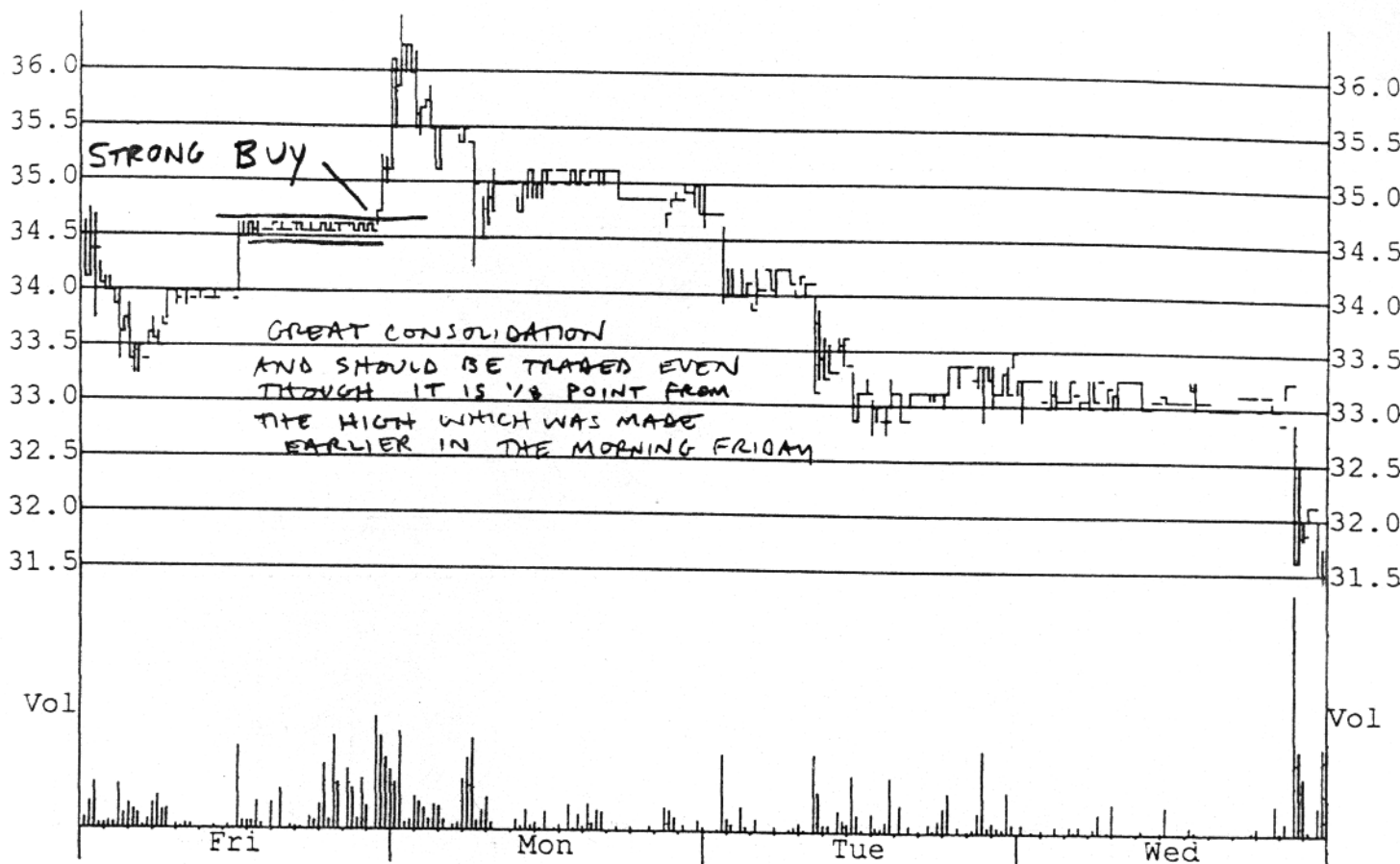
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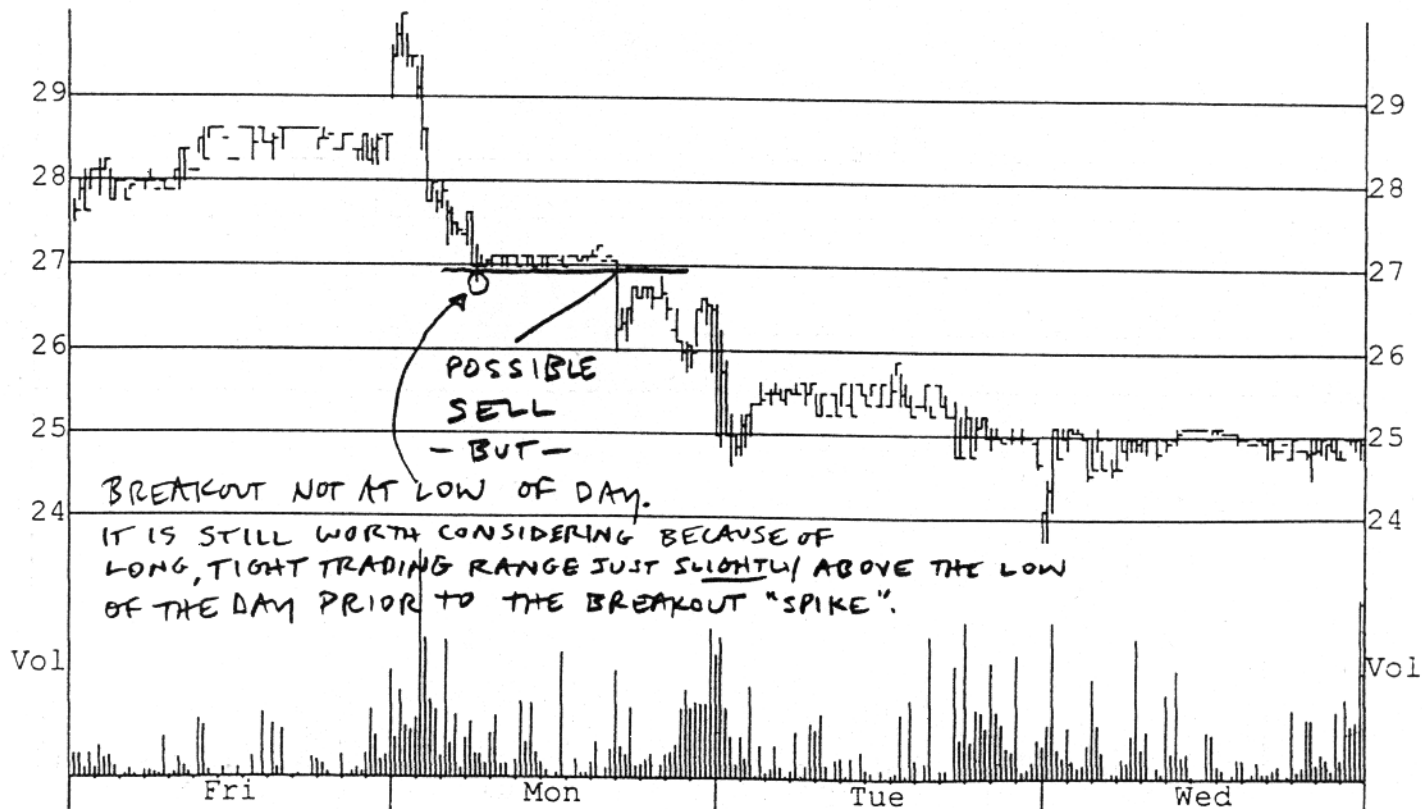


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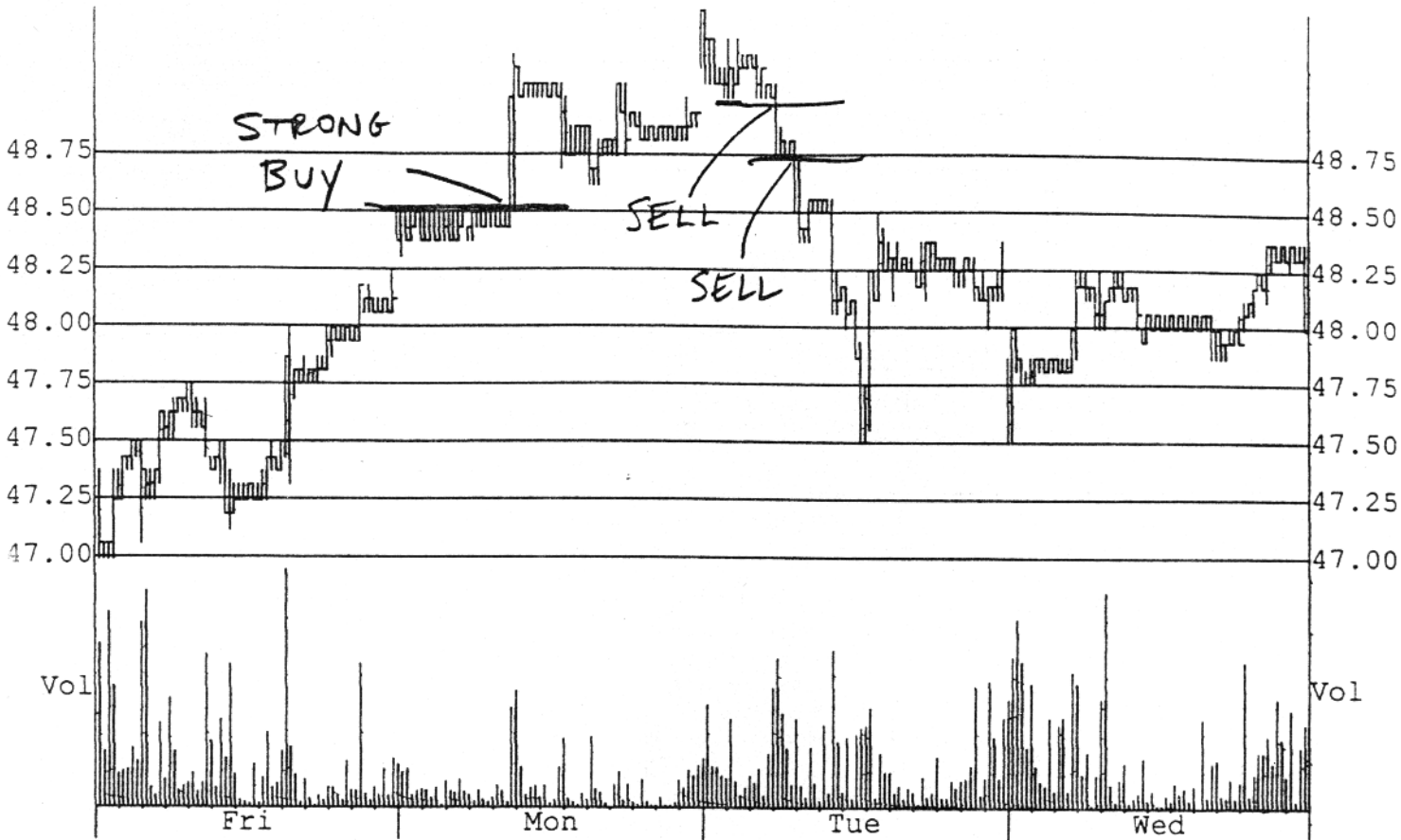


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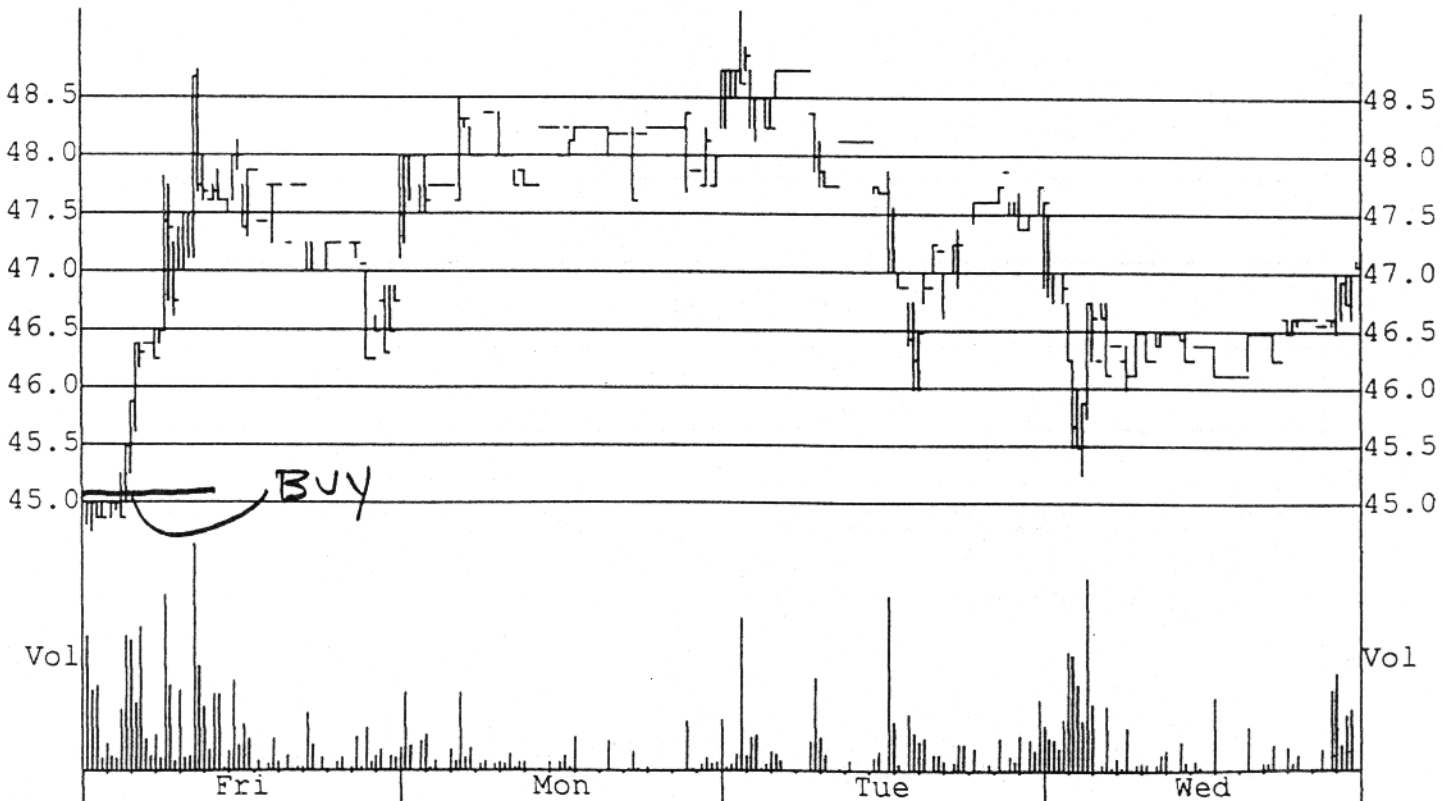


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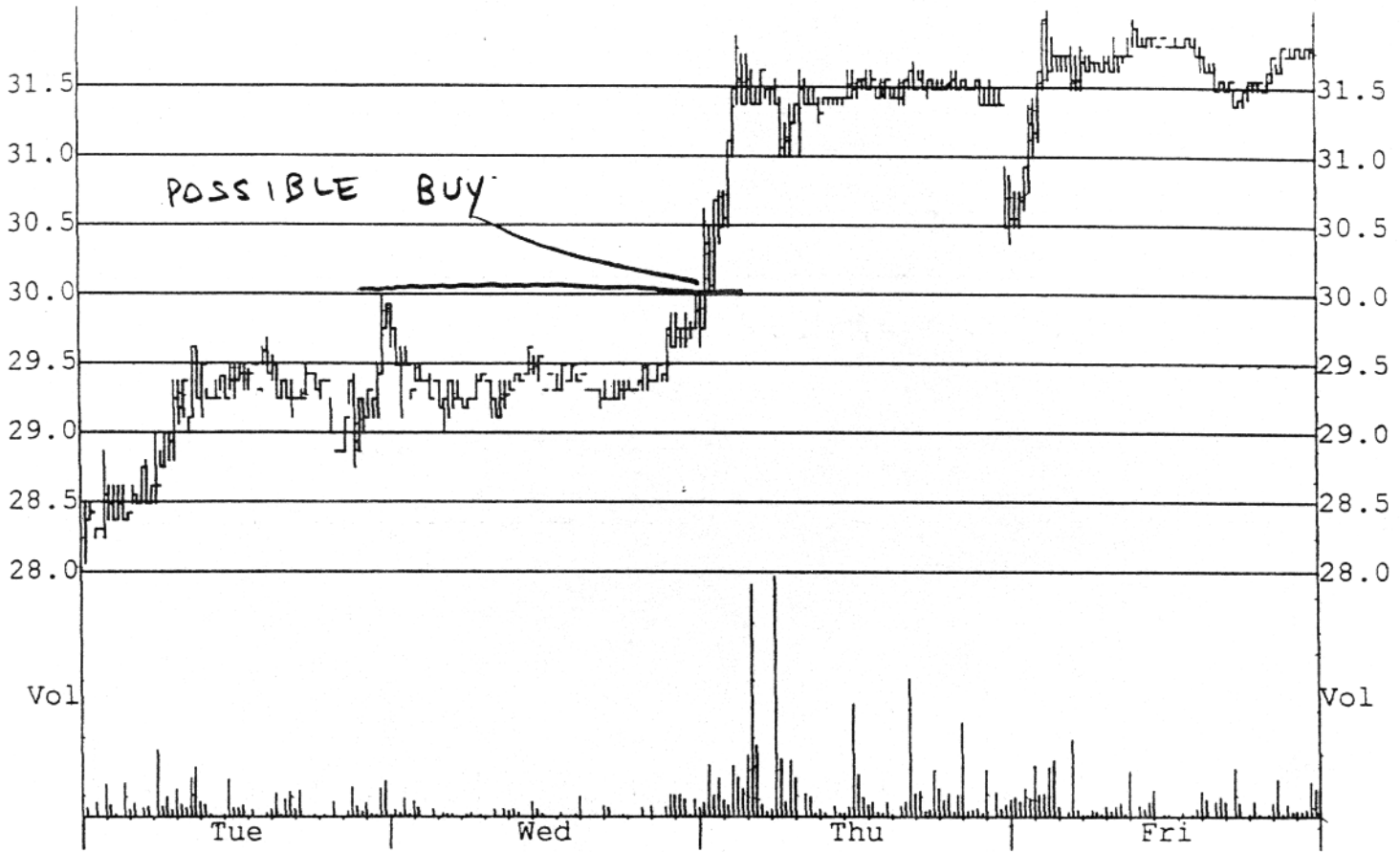


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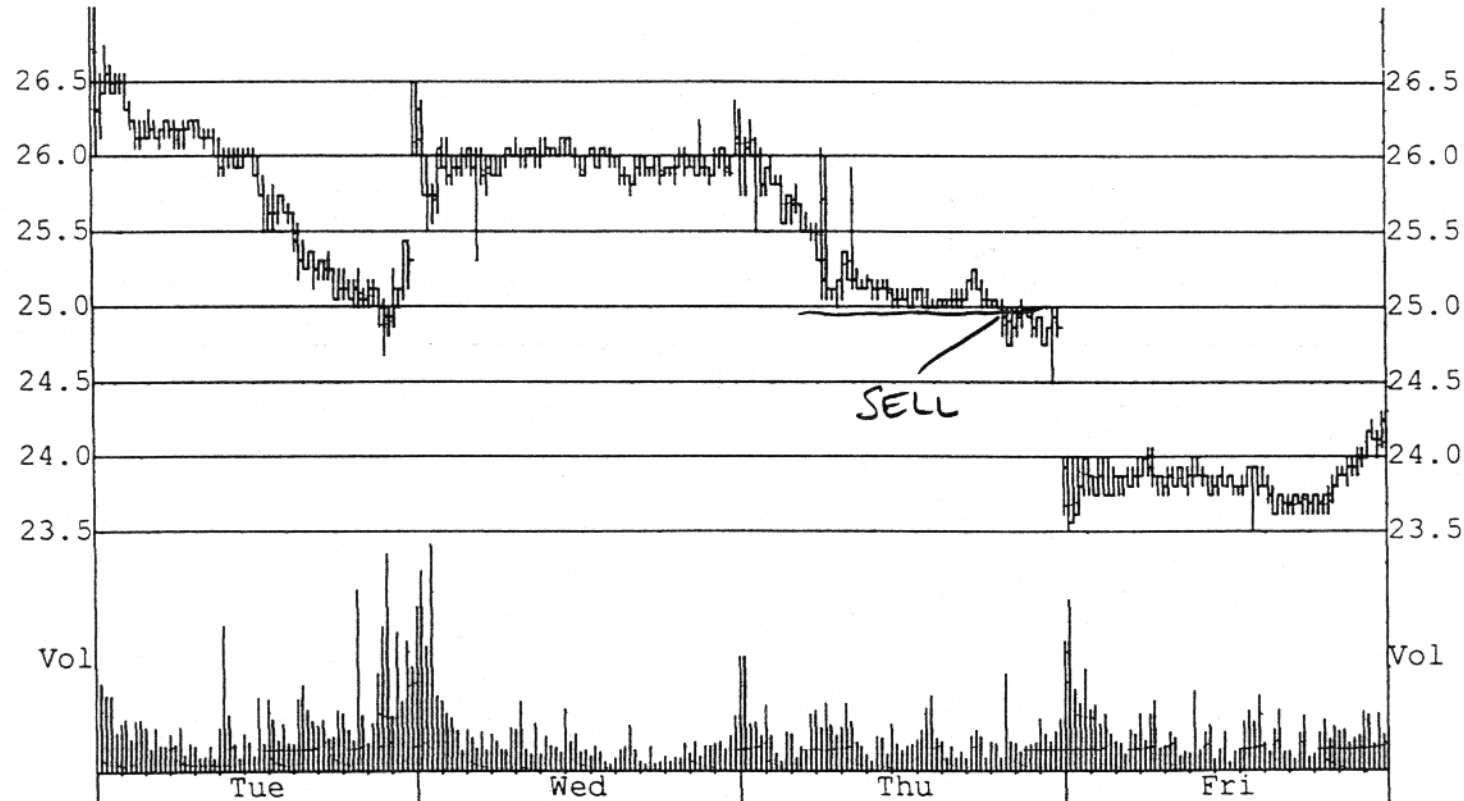
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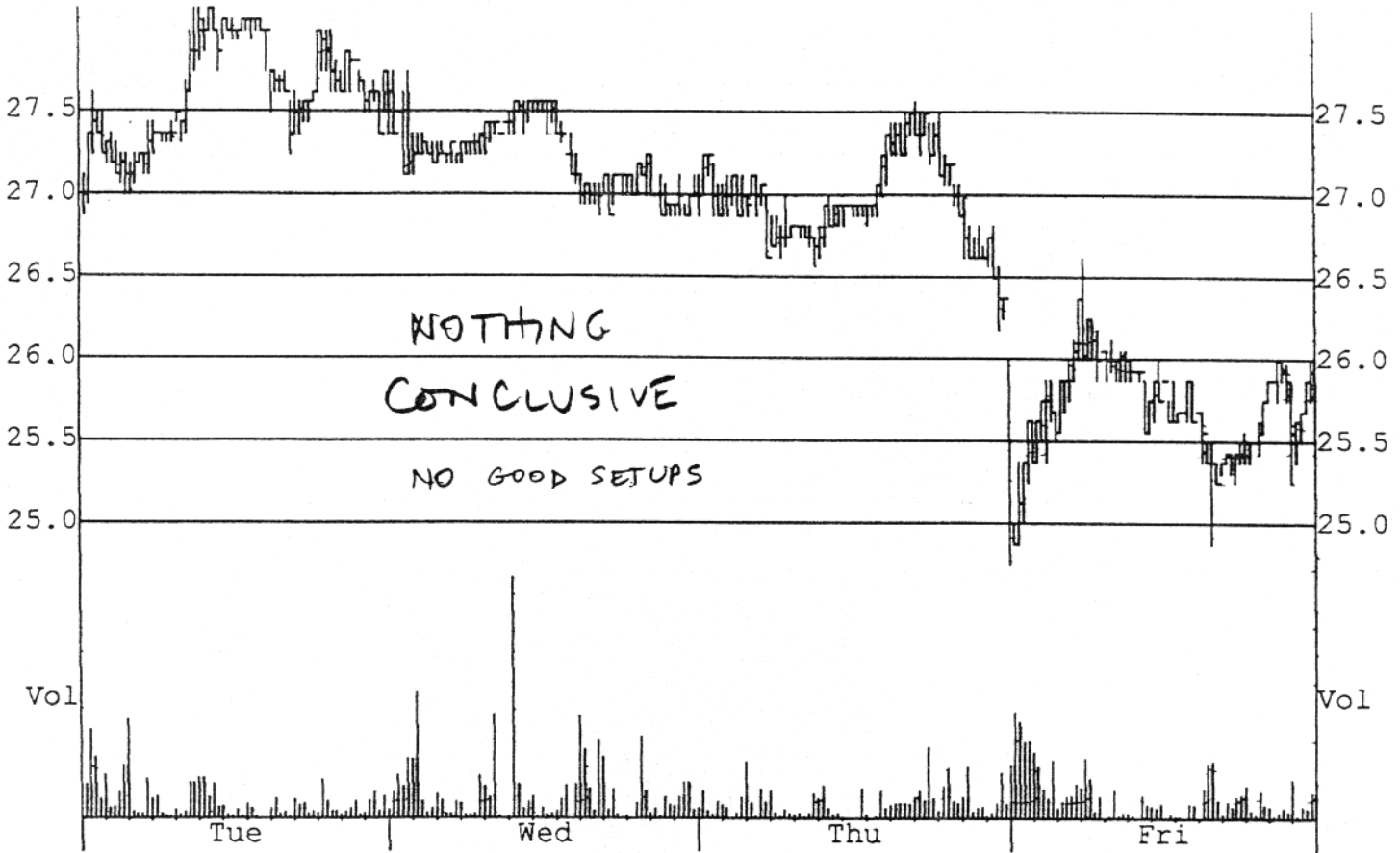
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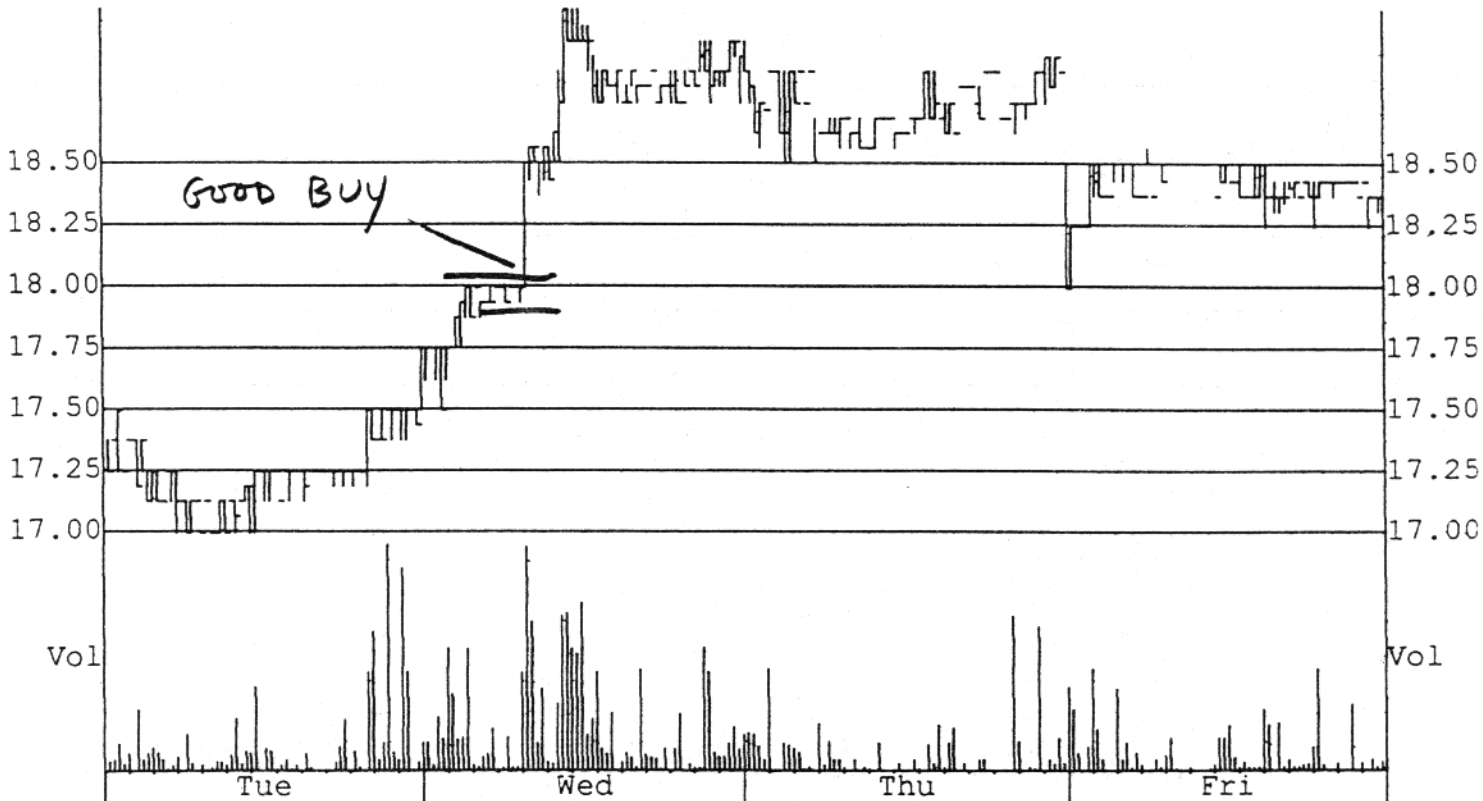


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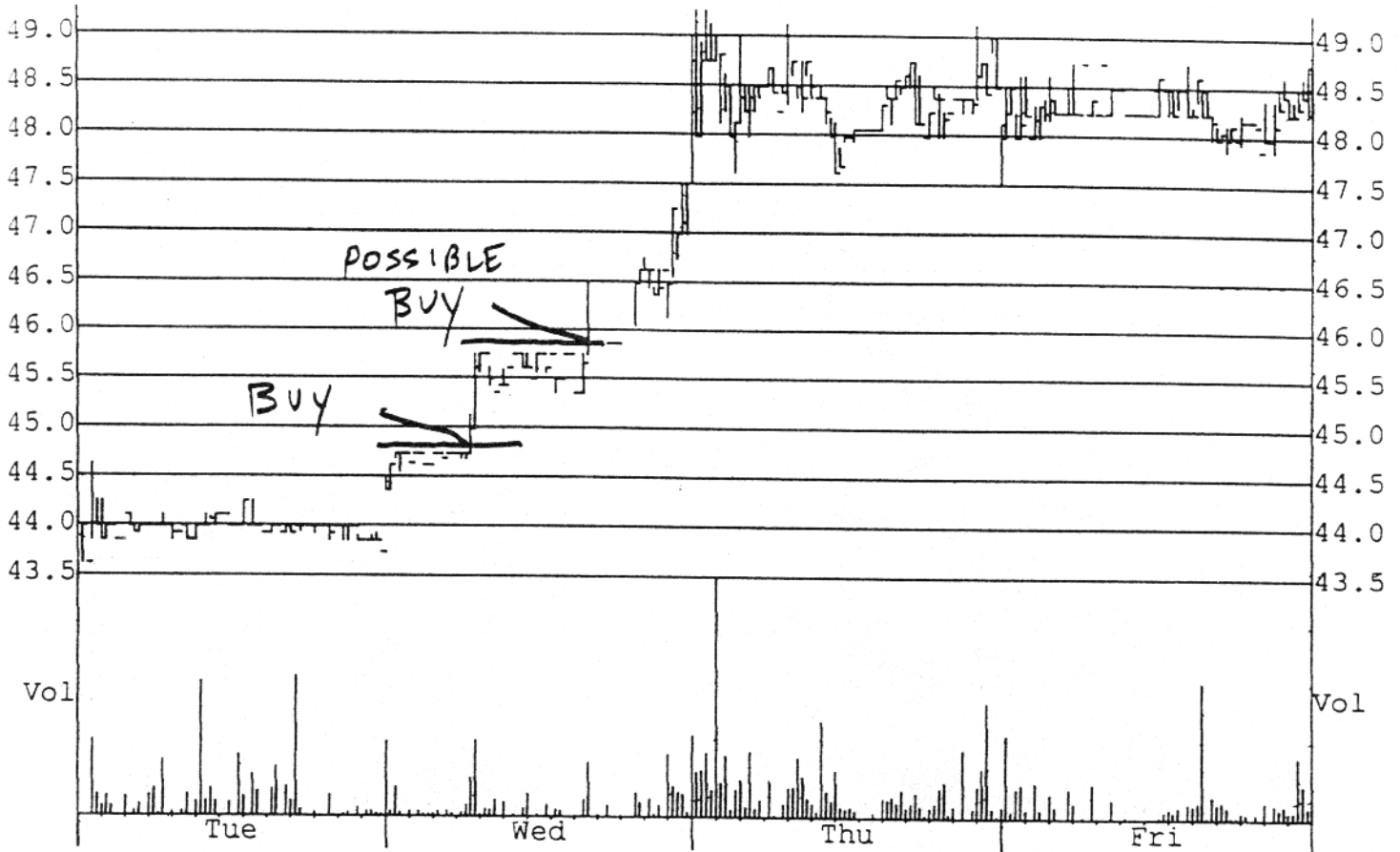


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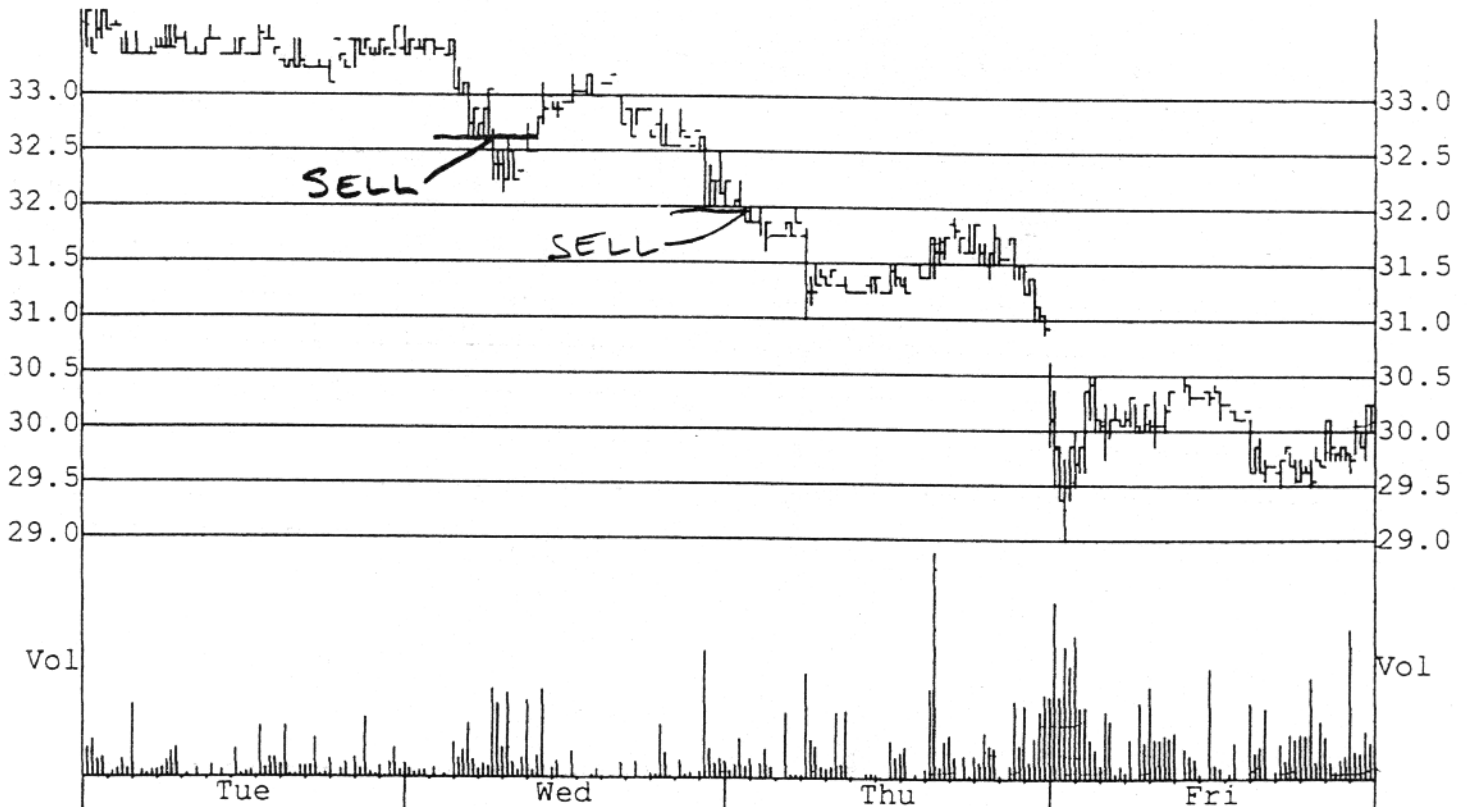


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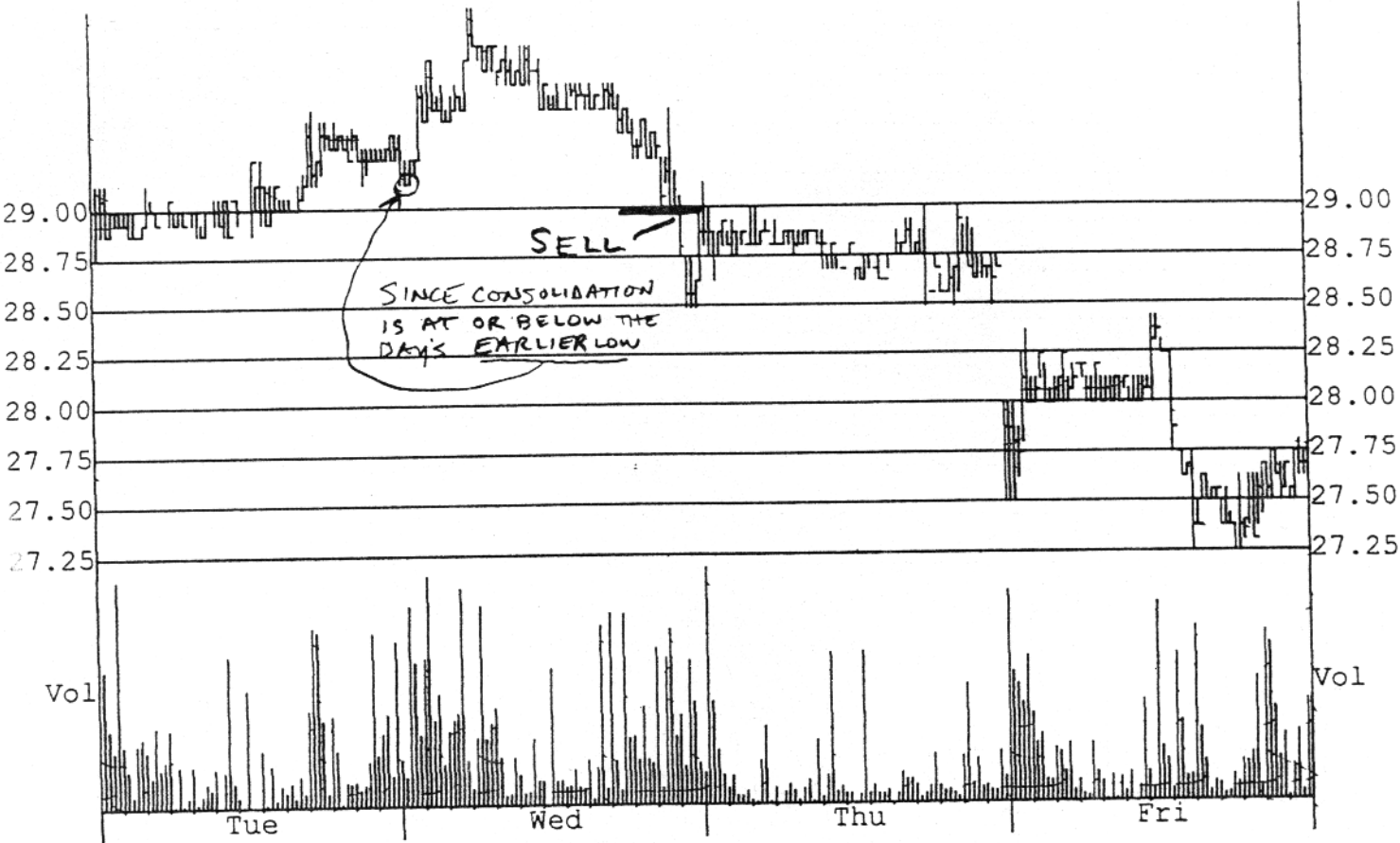


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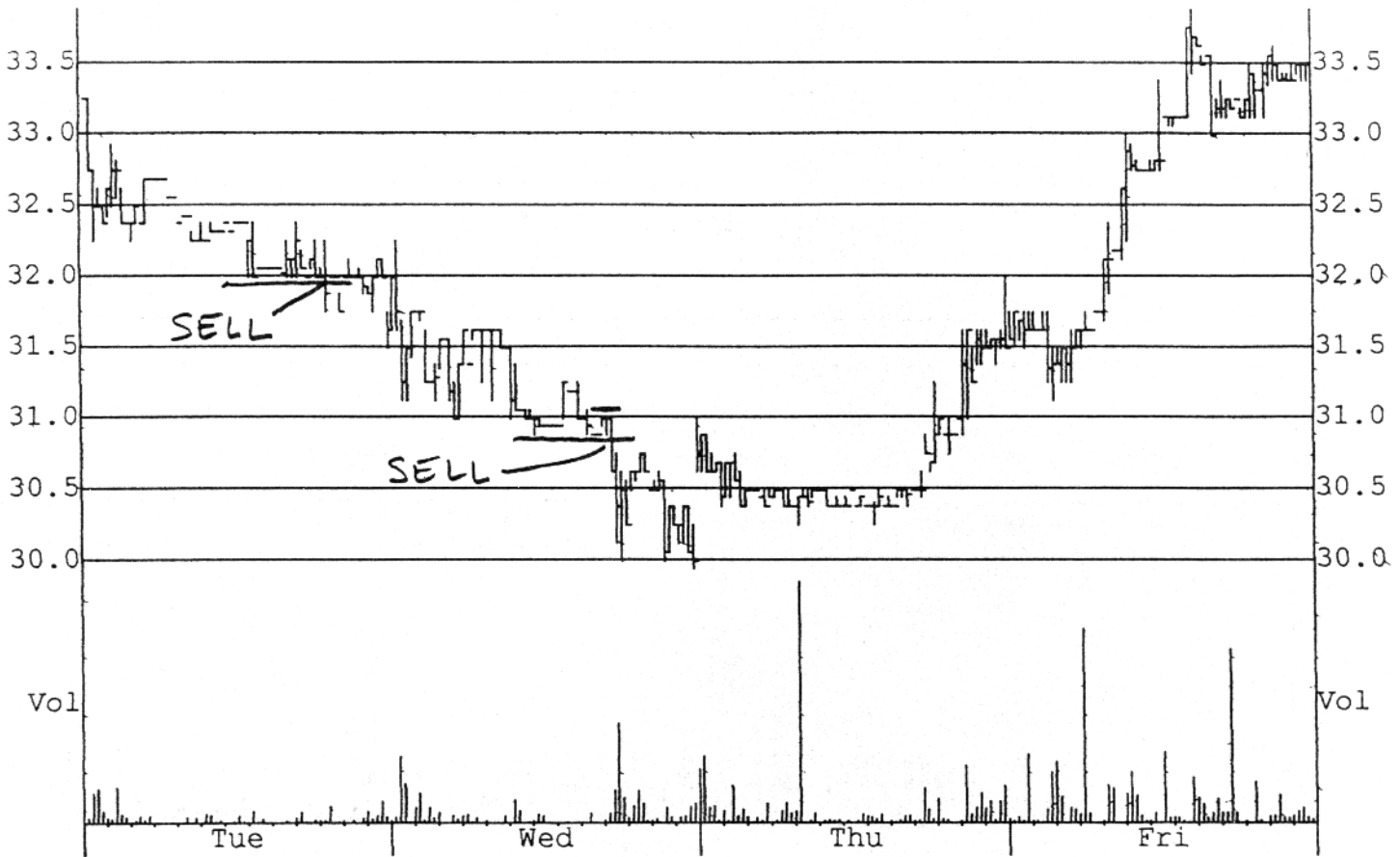
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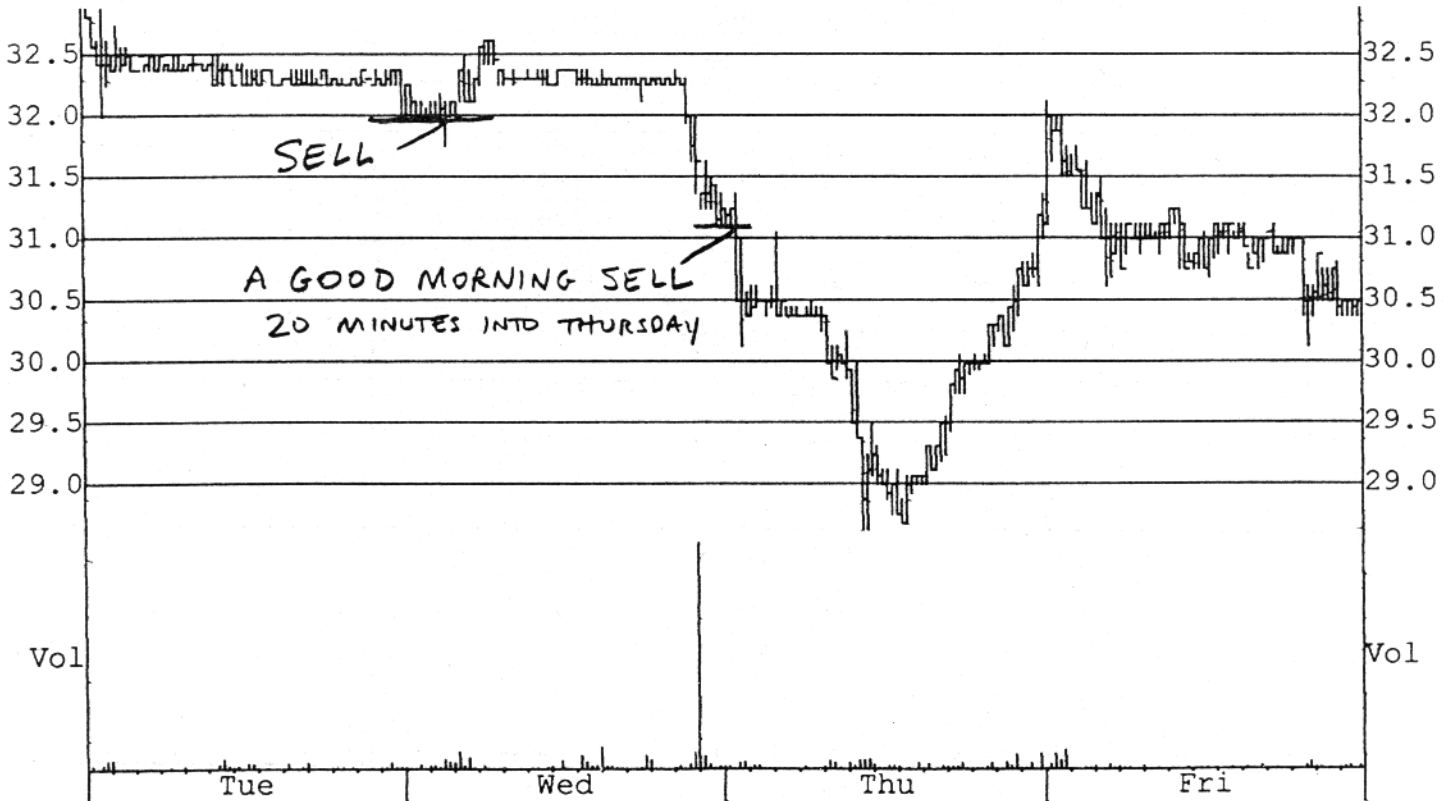


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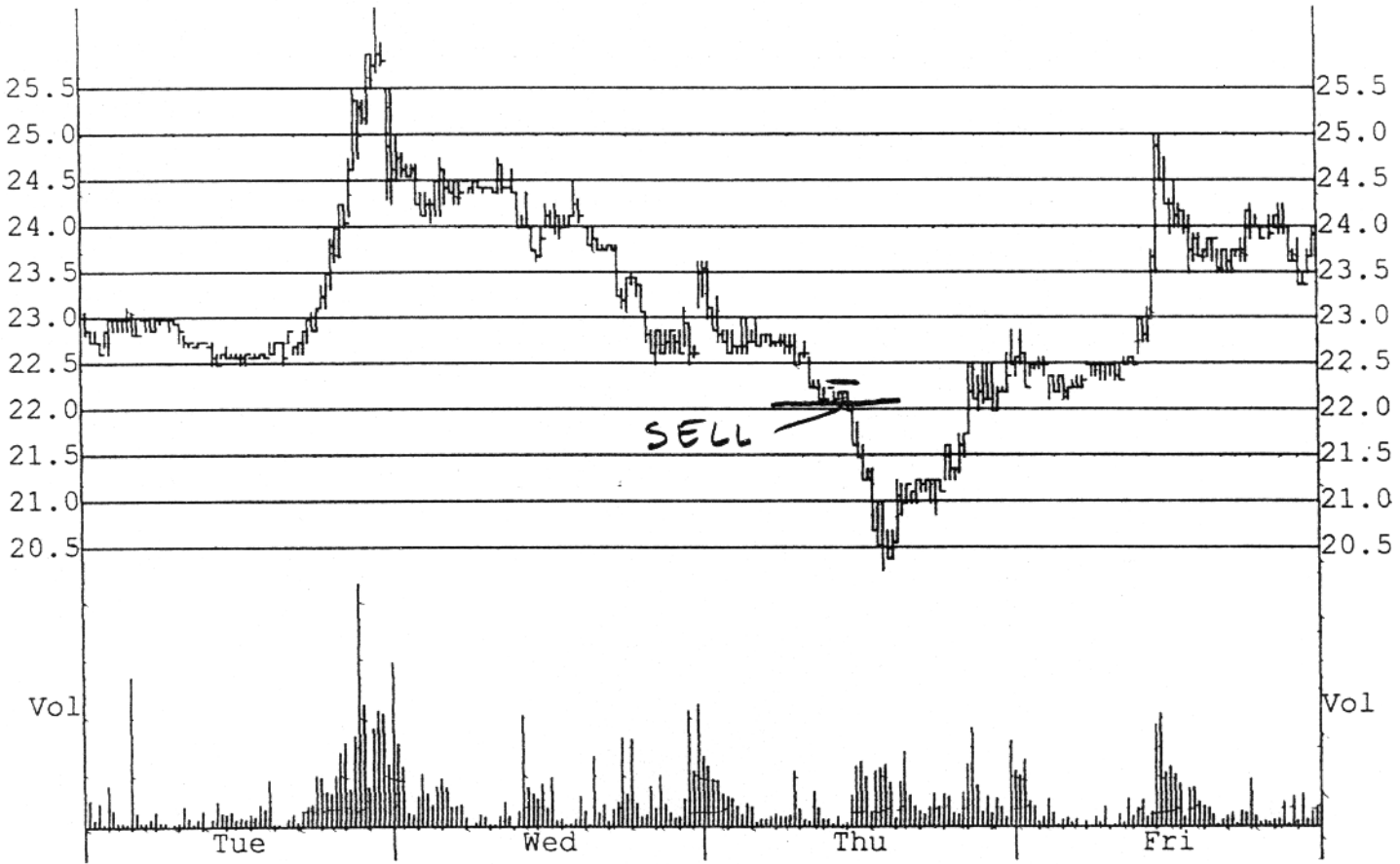
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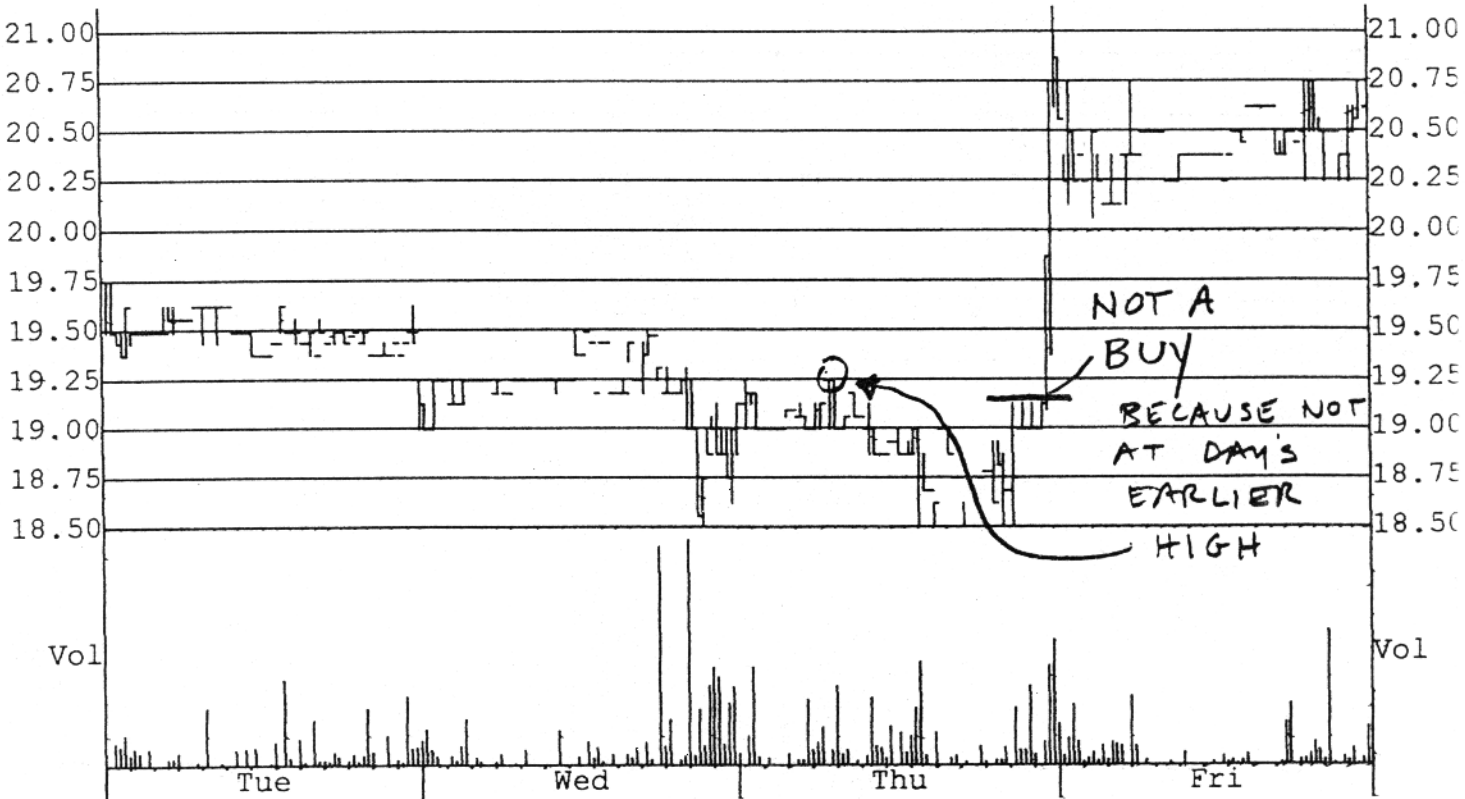


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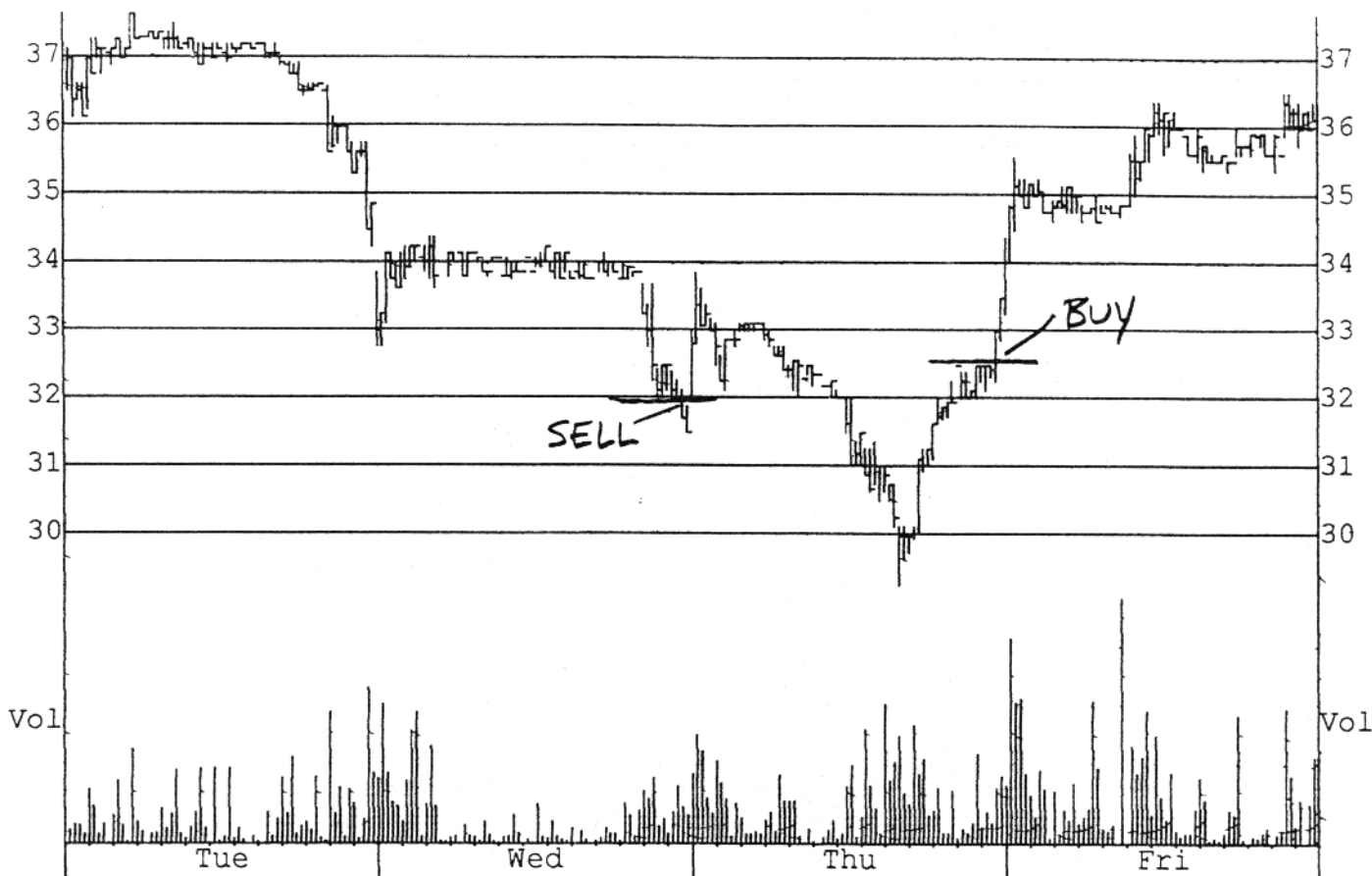
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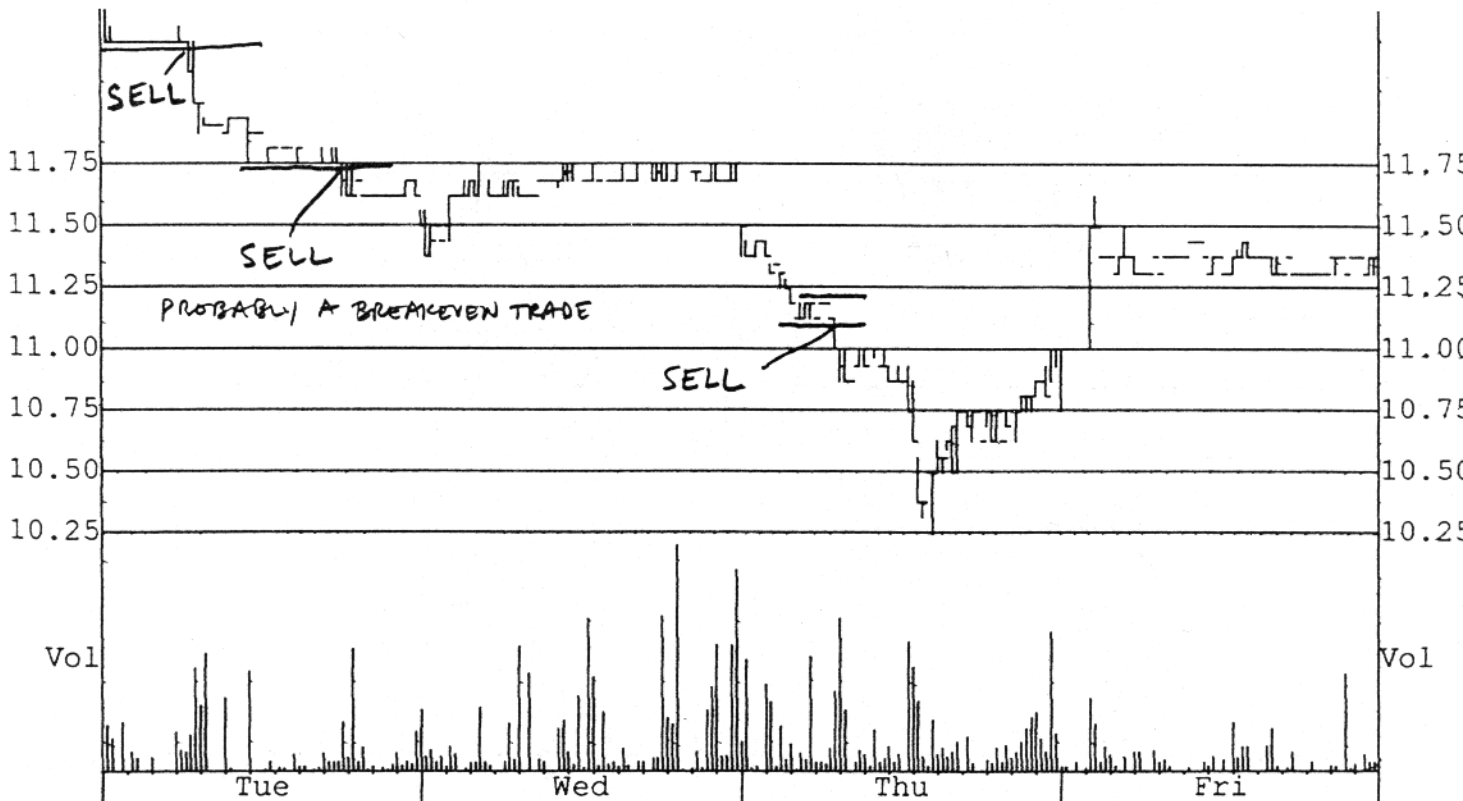


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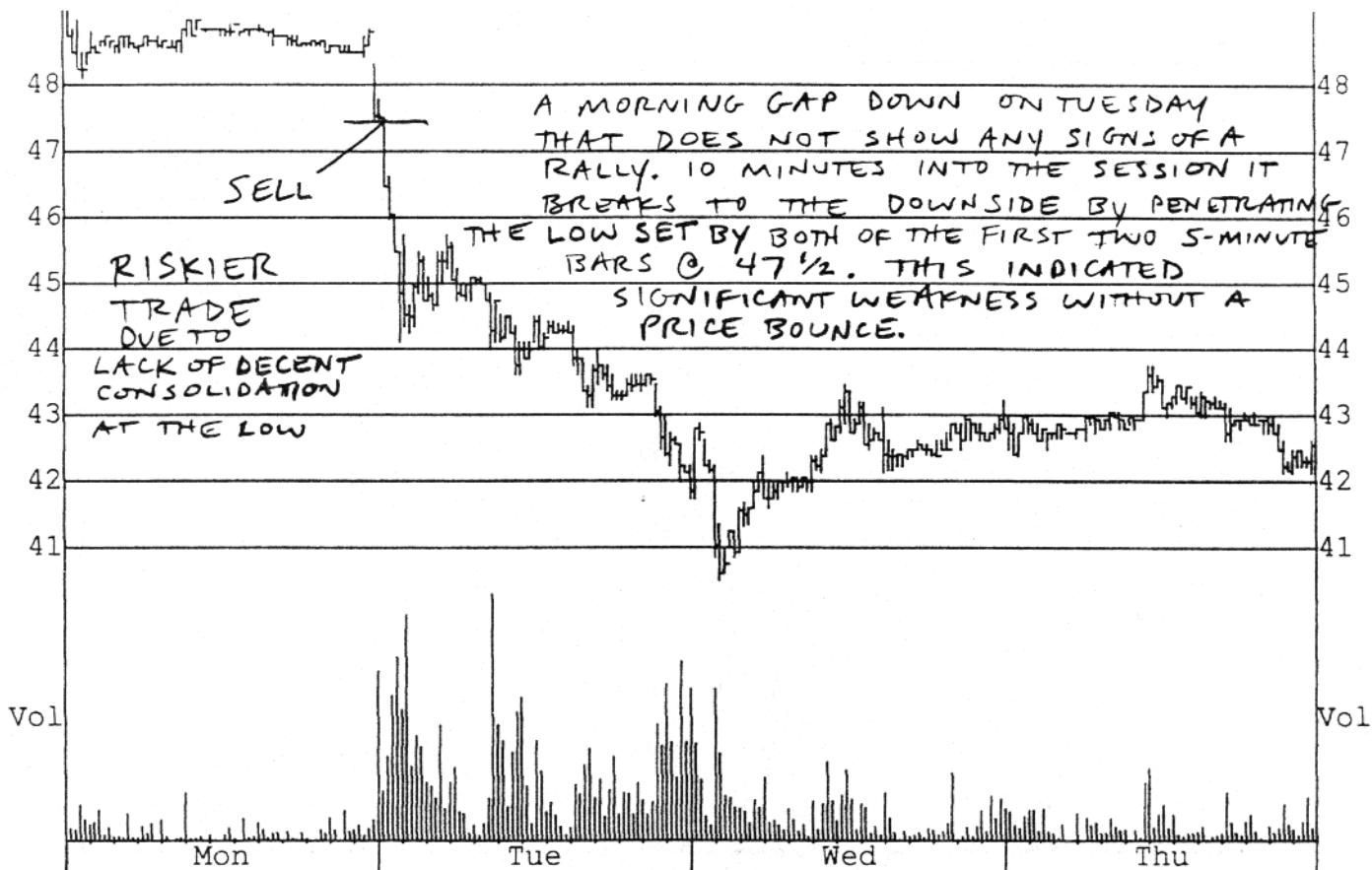
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11.37



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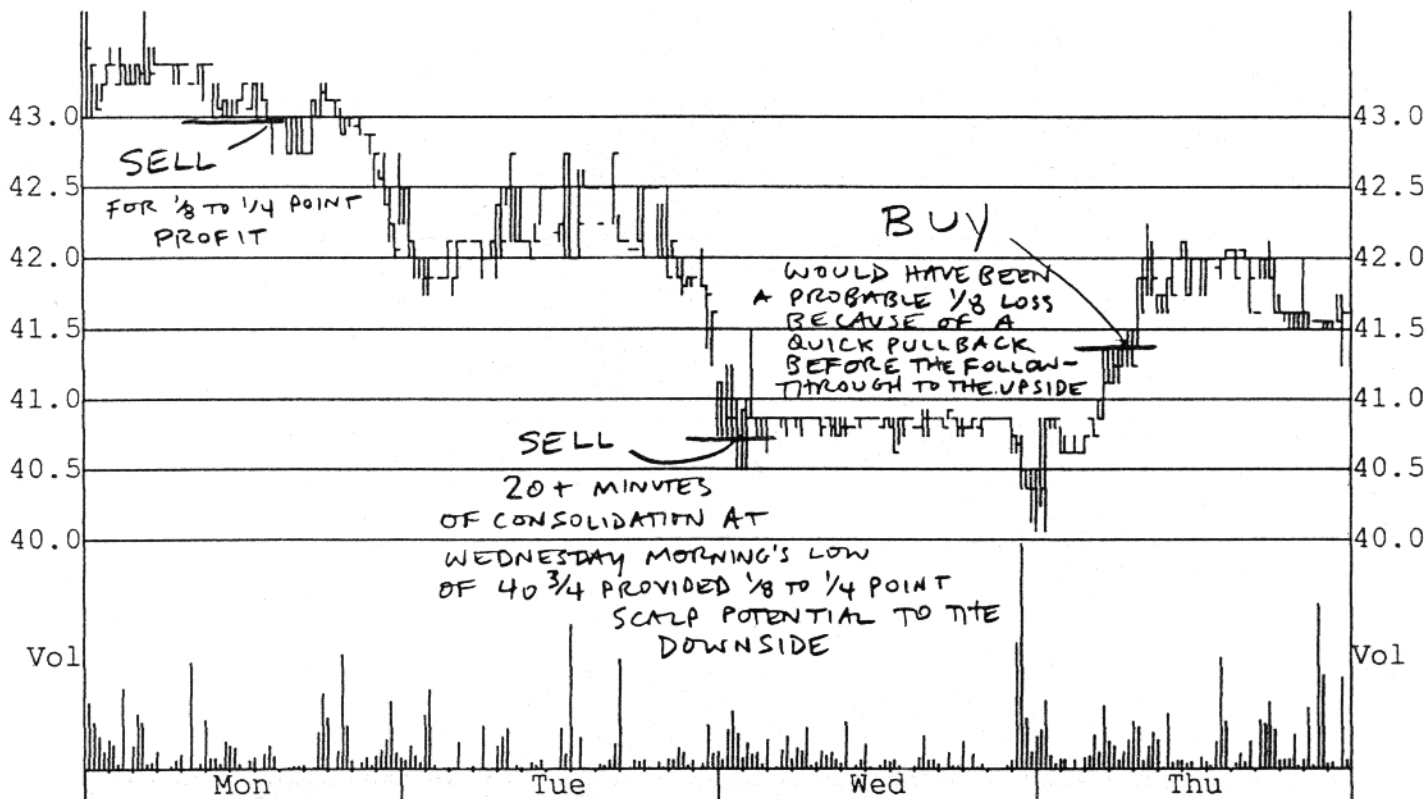


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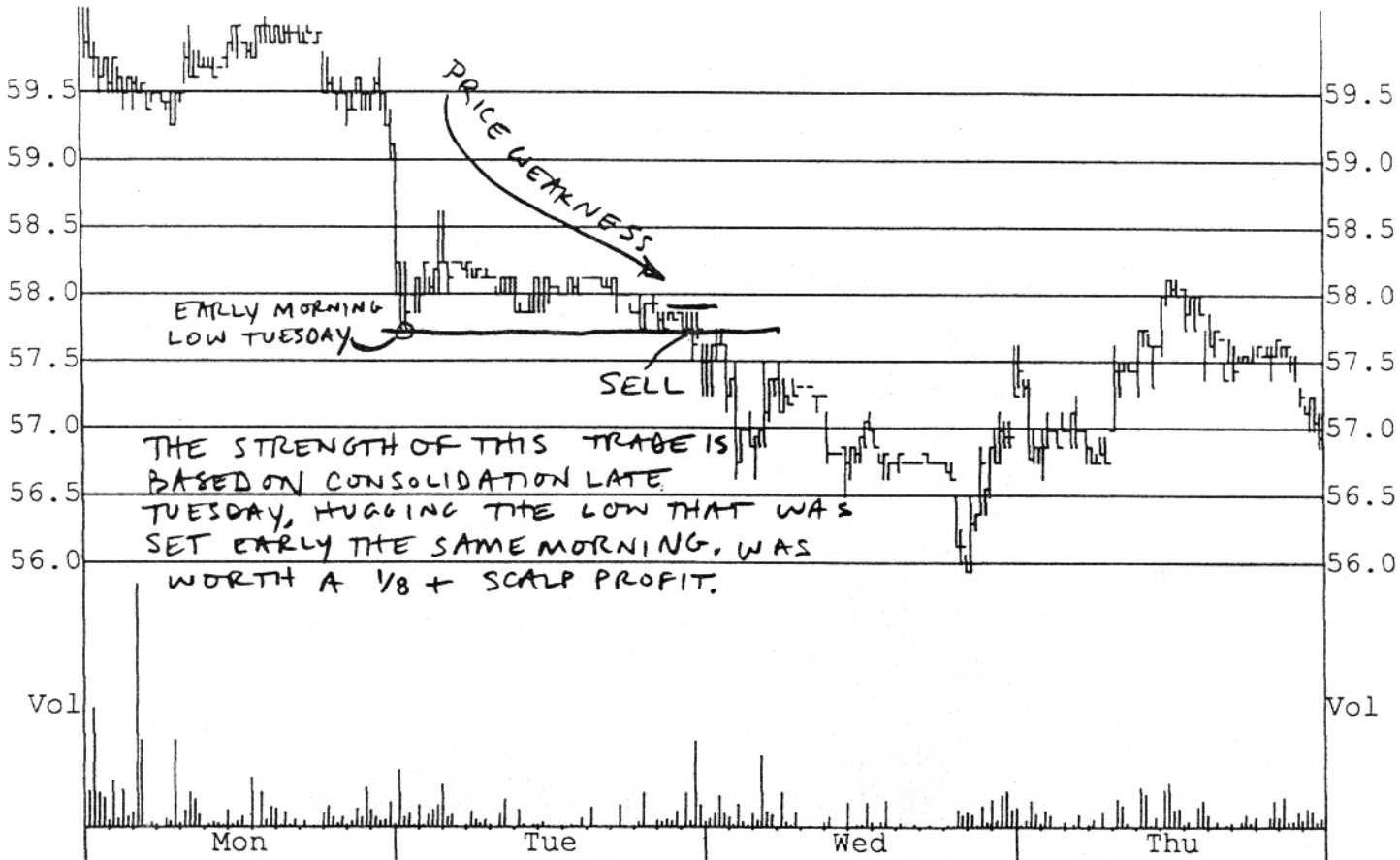
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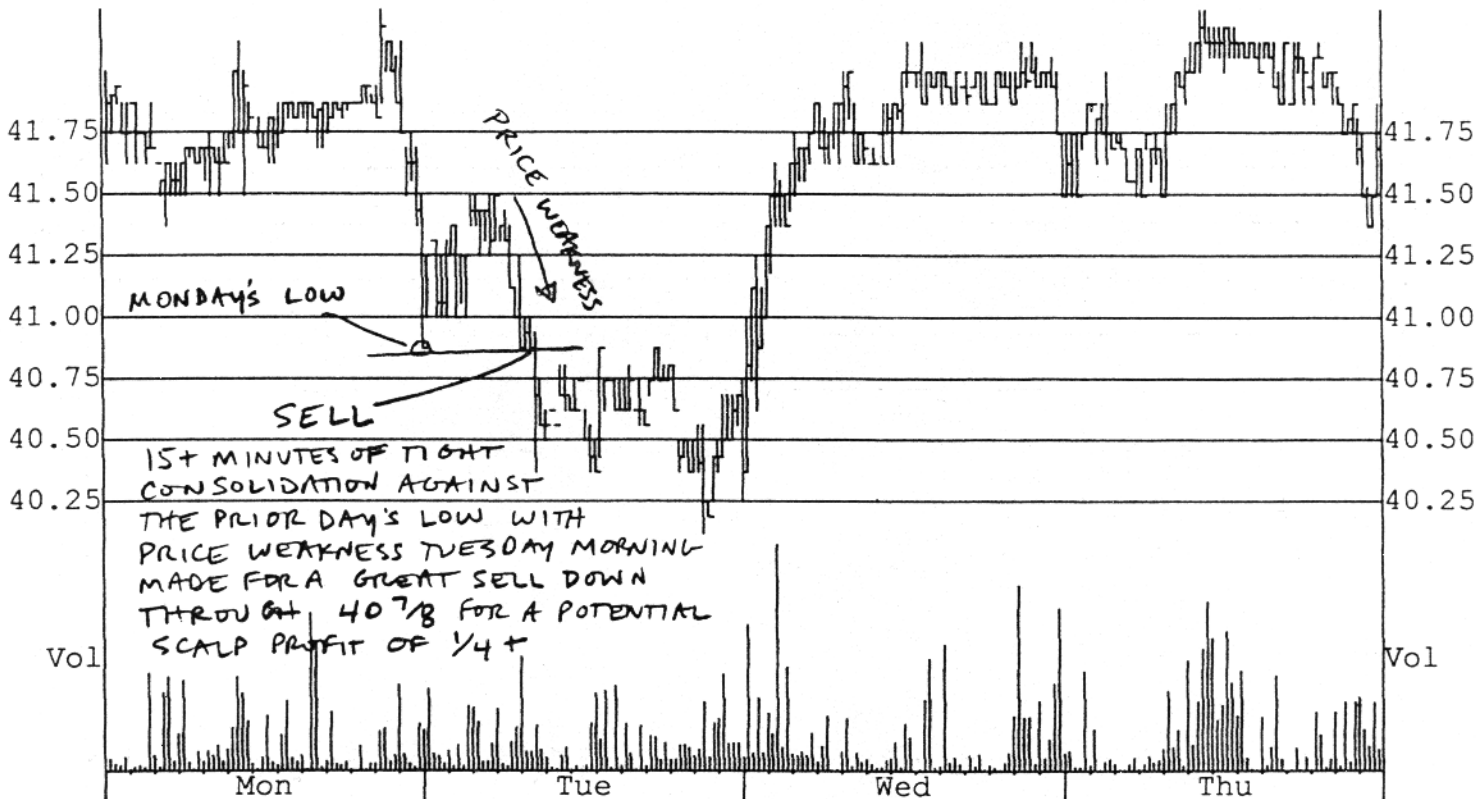


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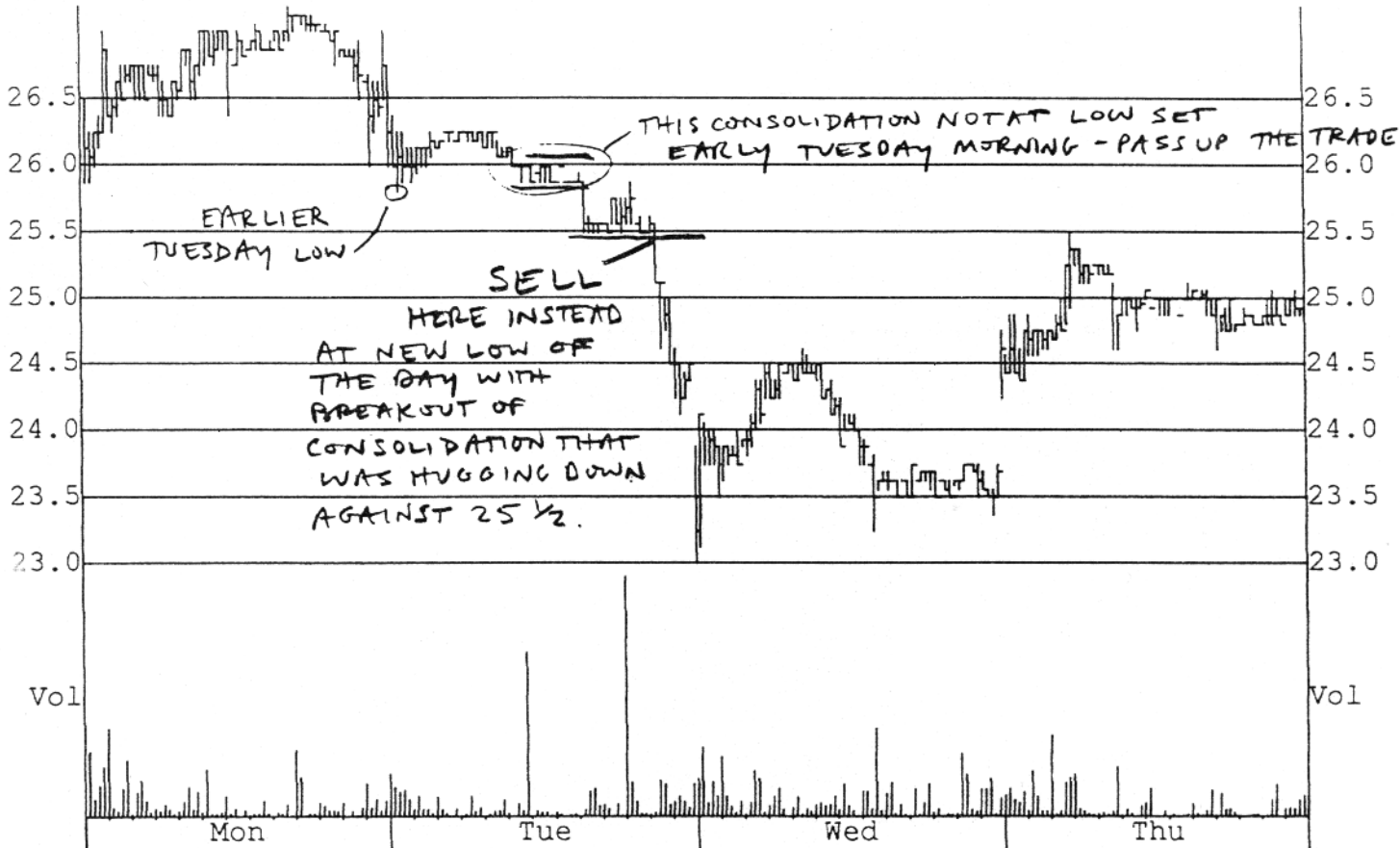
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41.75



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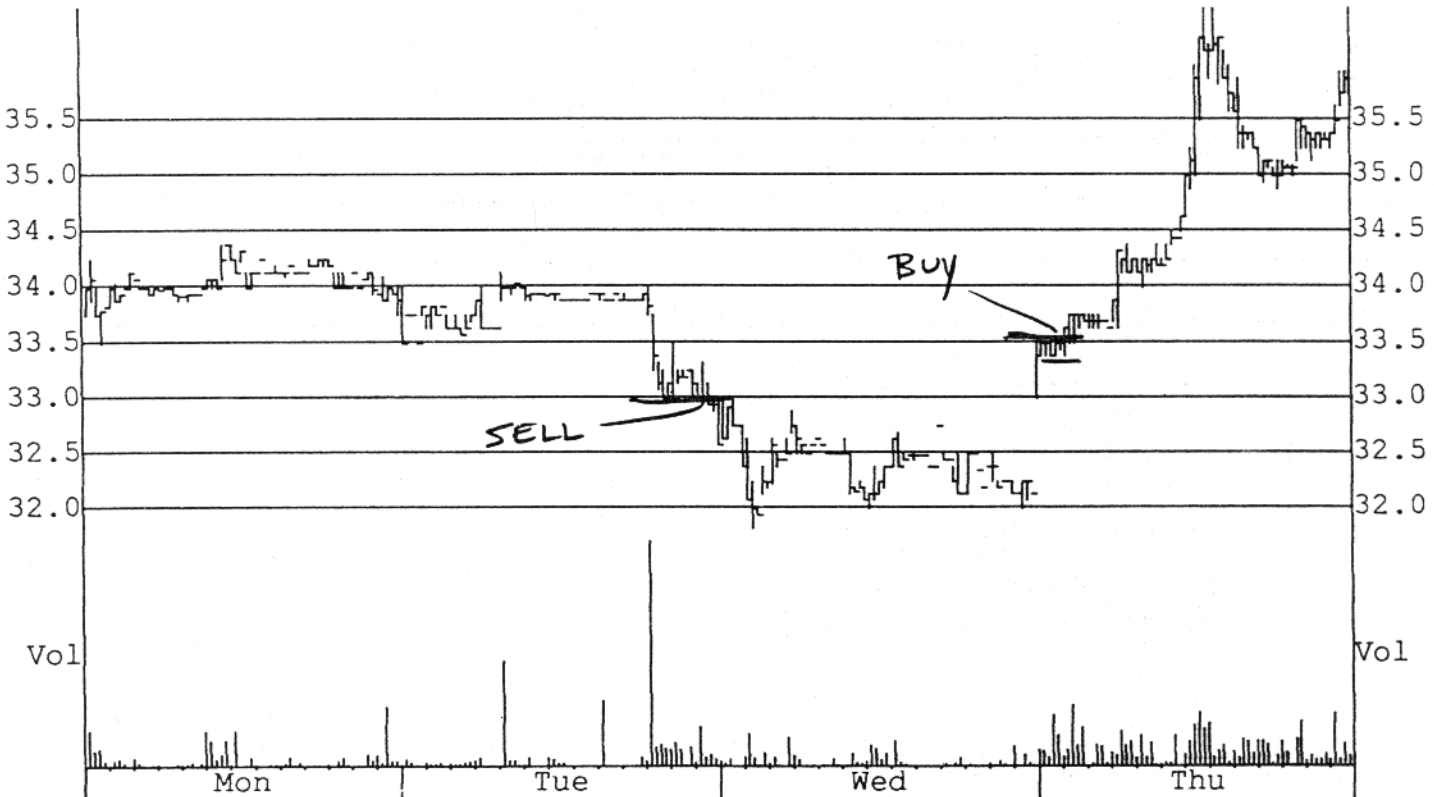


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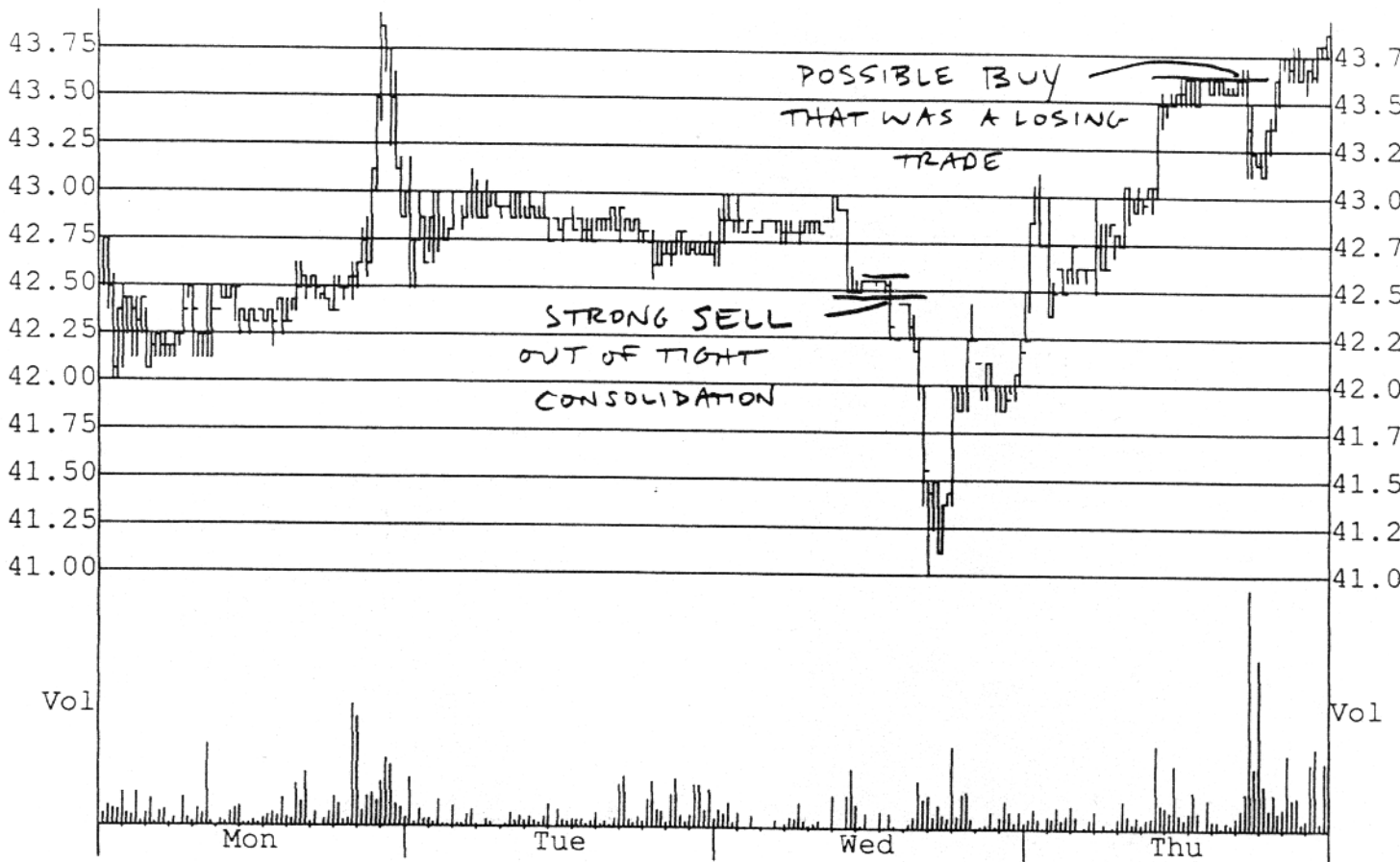
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35.87



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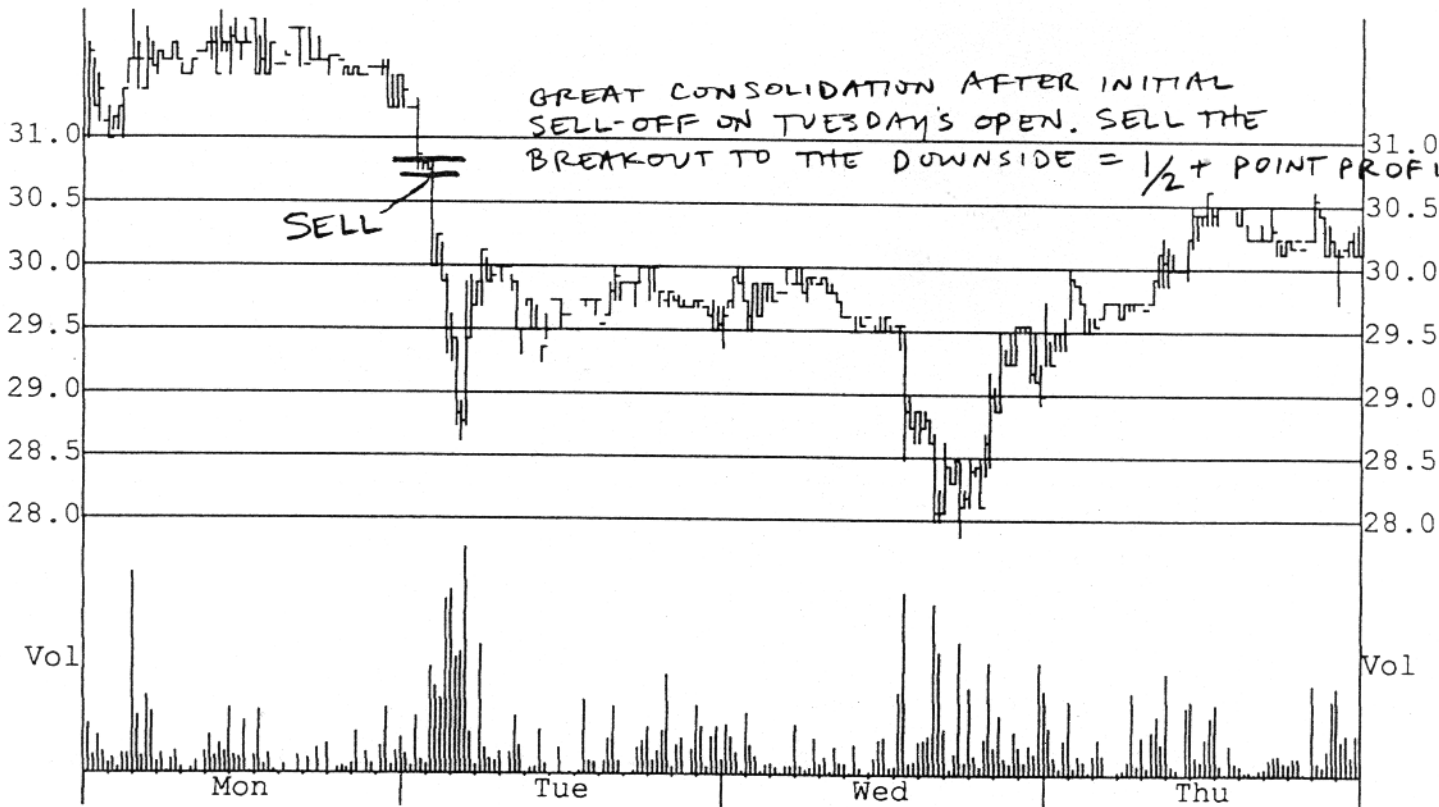


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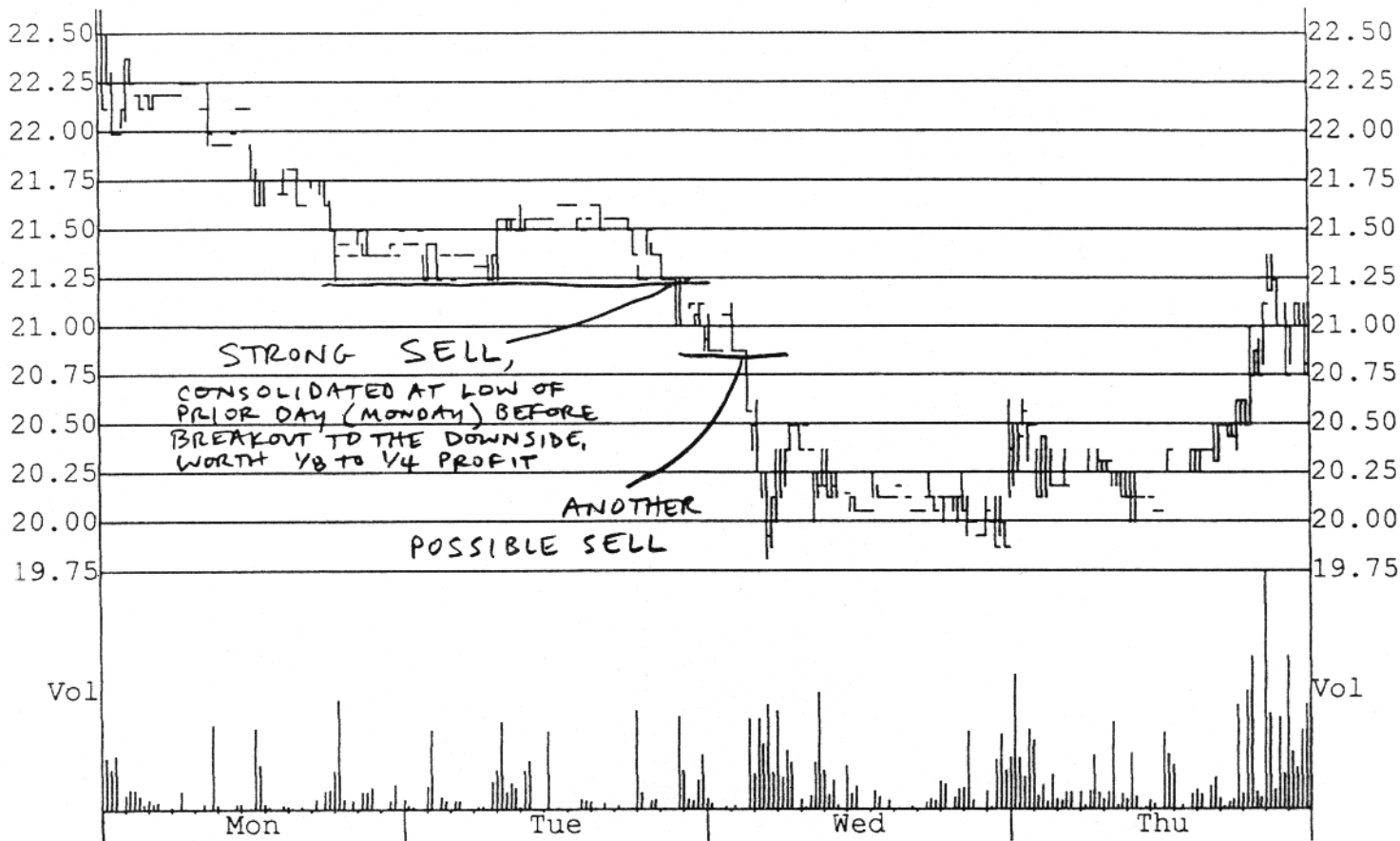
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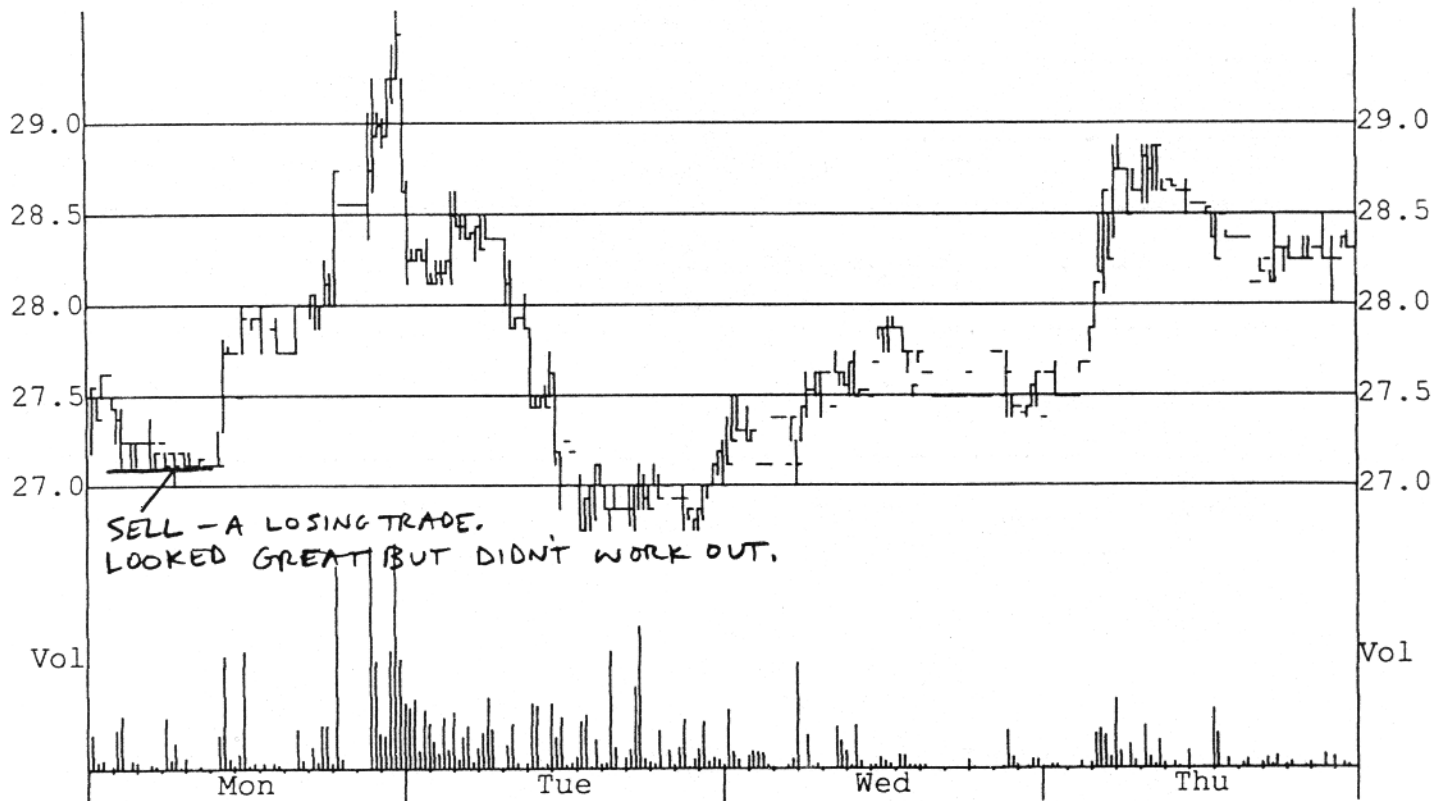


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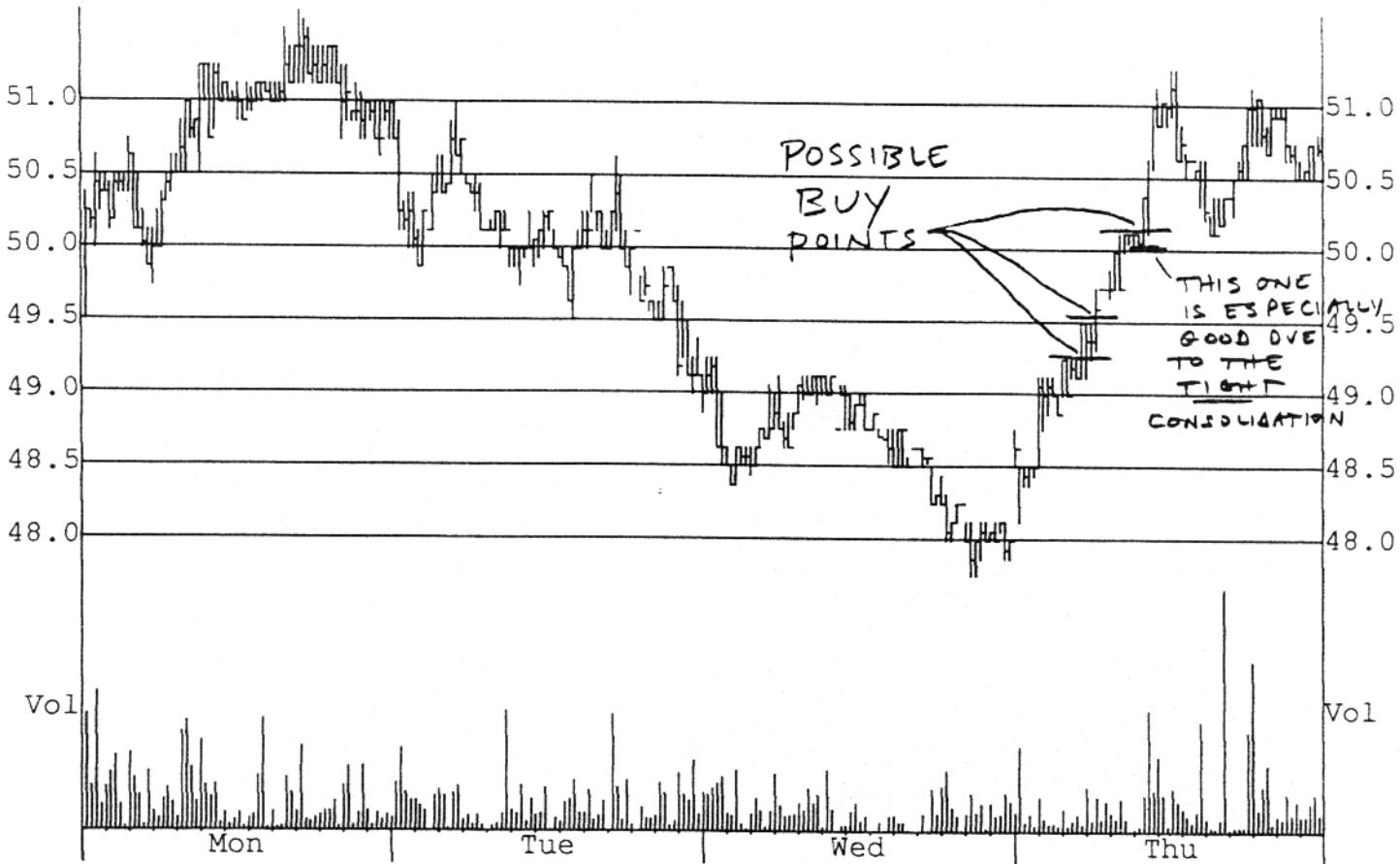
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28.31



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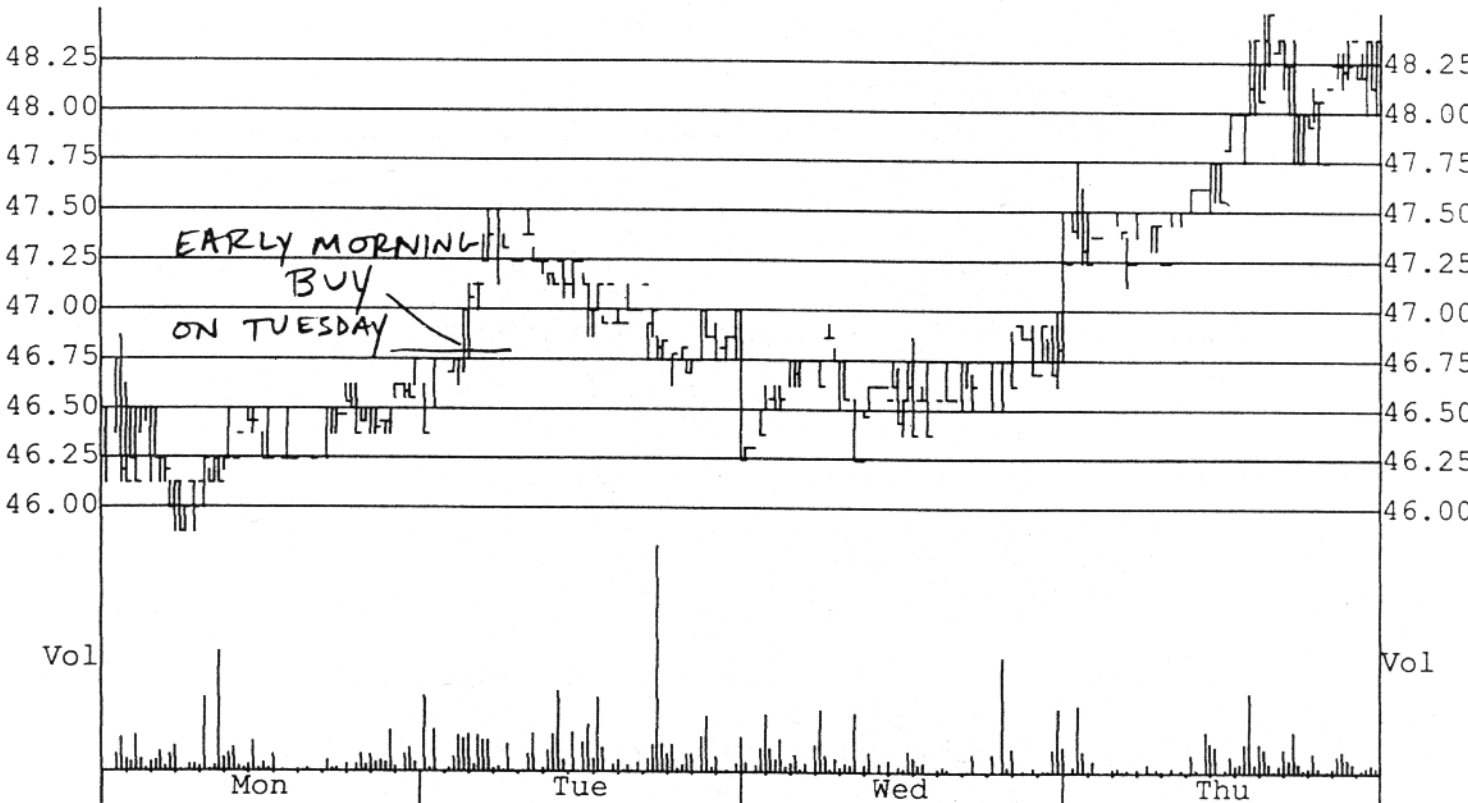


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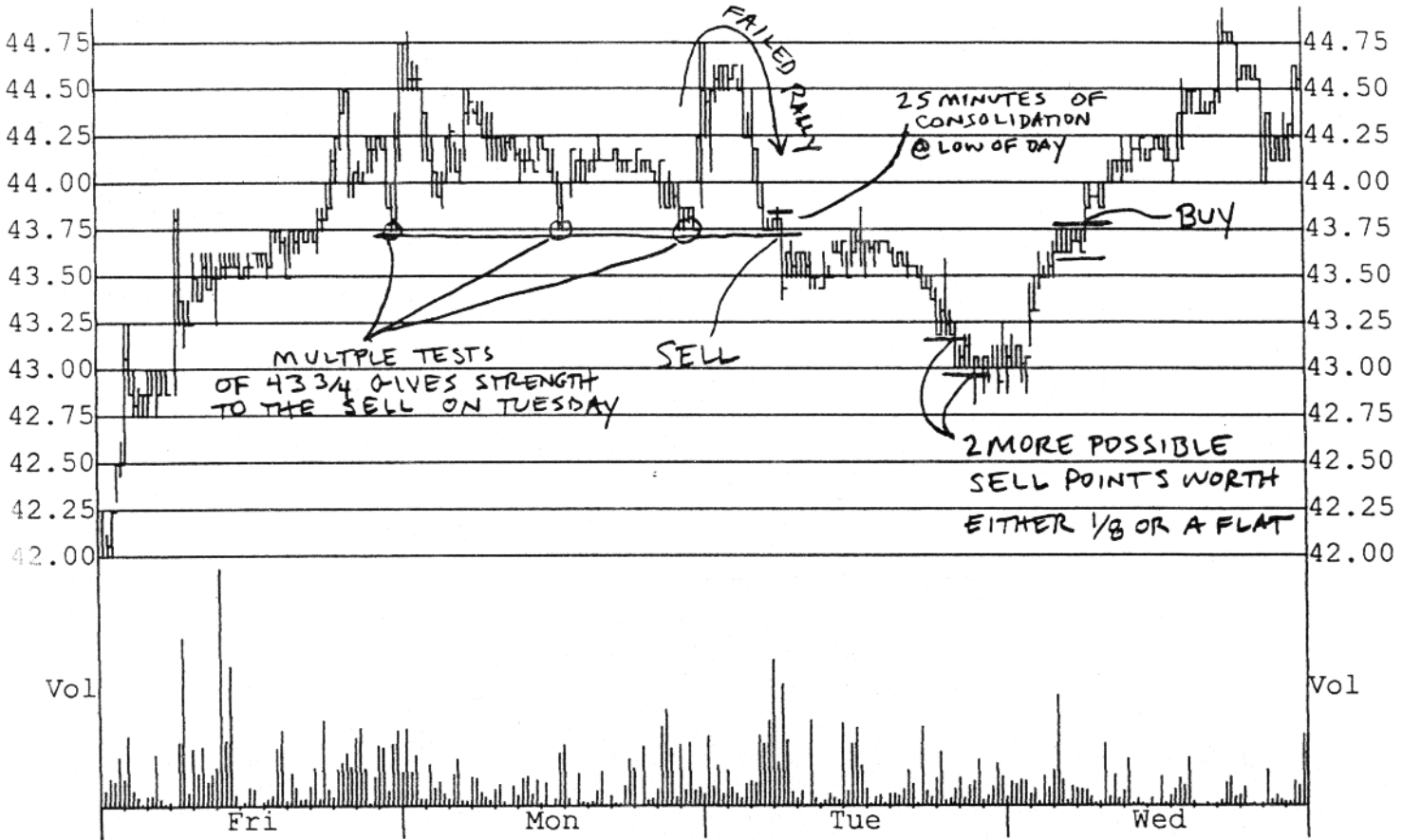
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48.18



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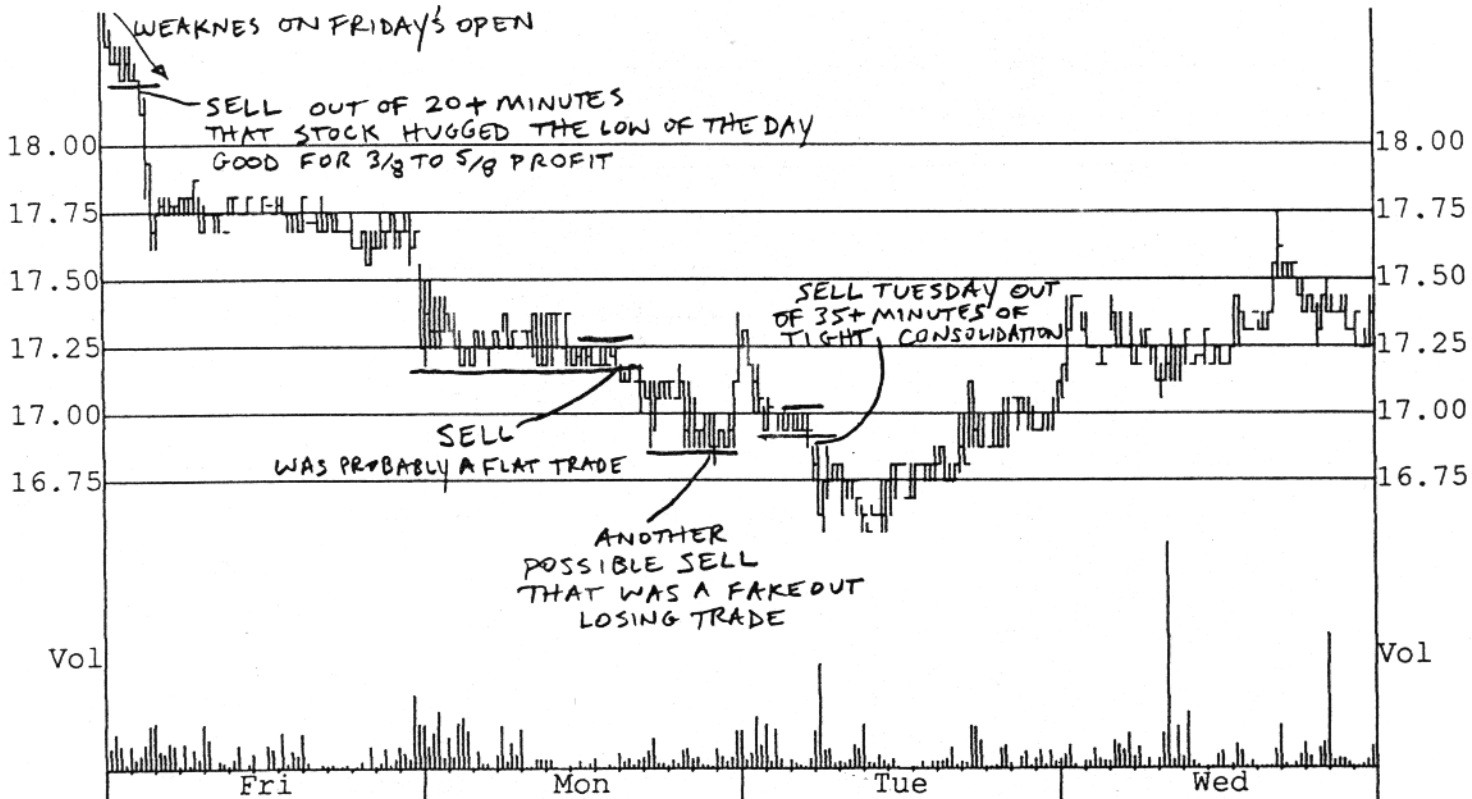


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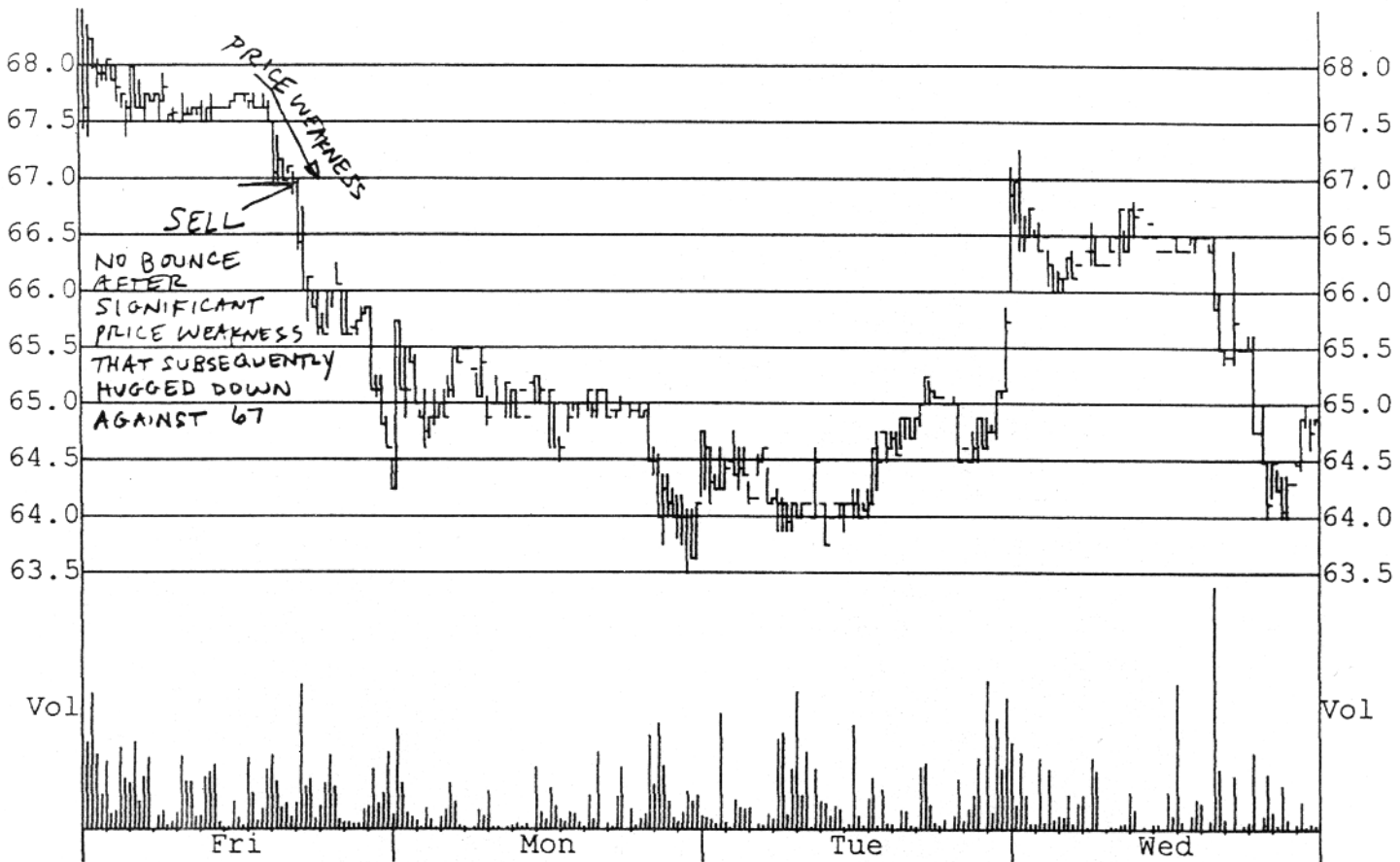
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17.31



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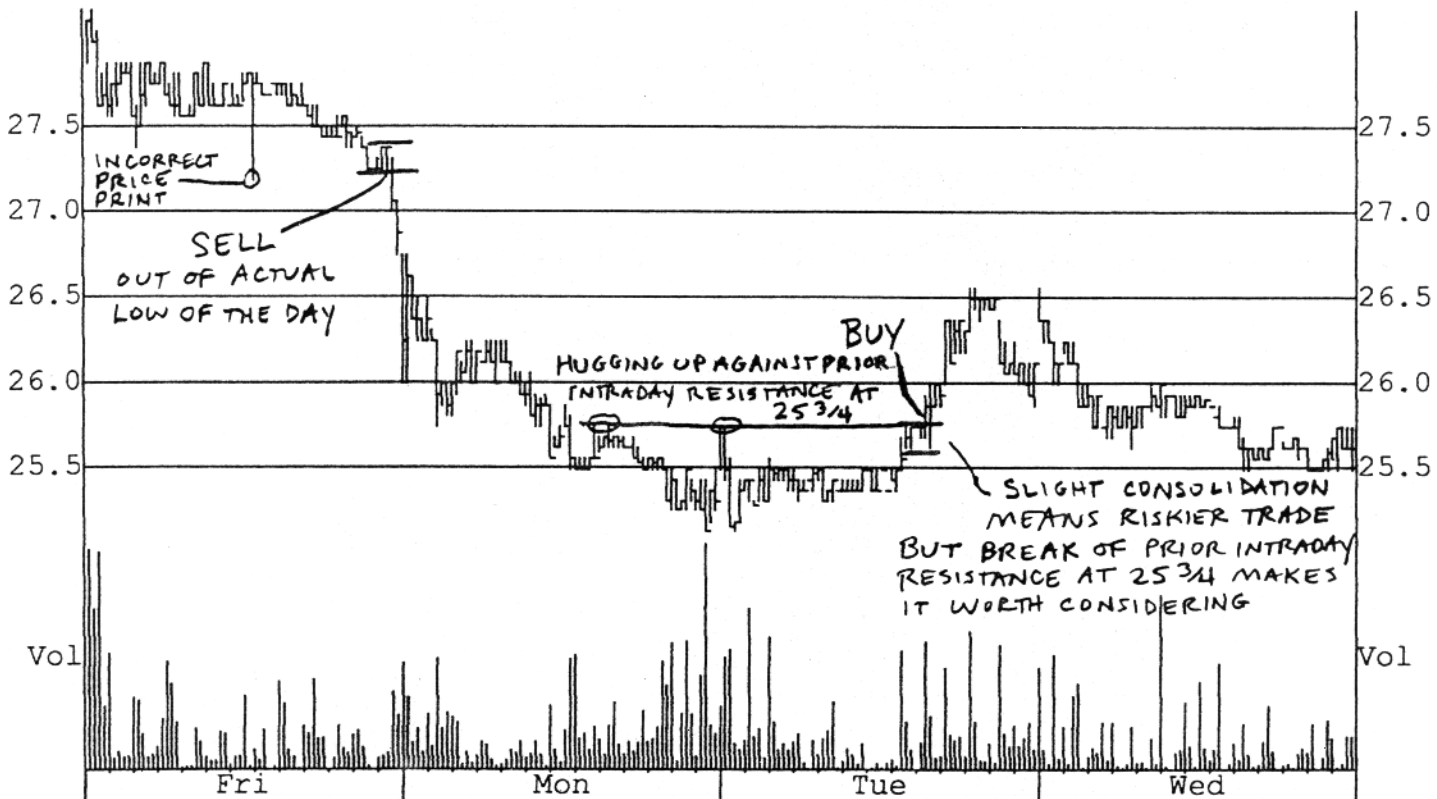


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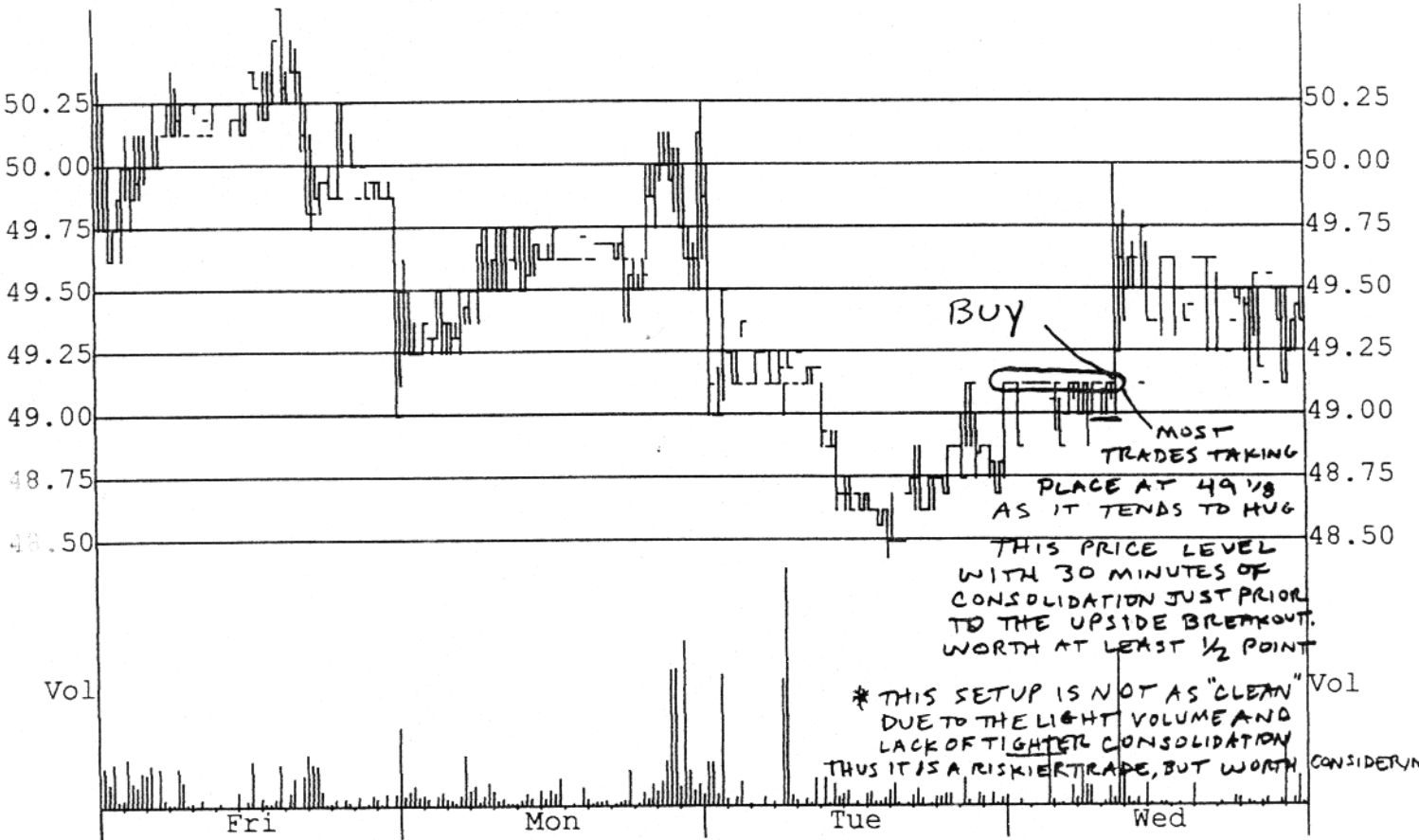
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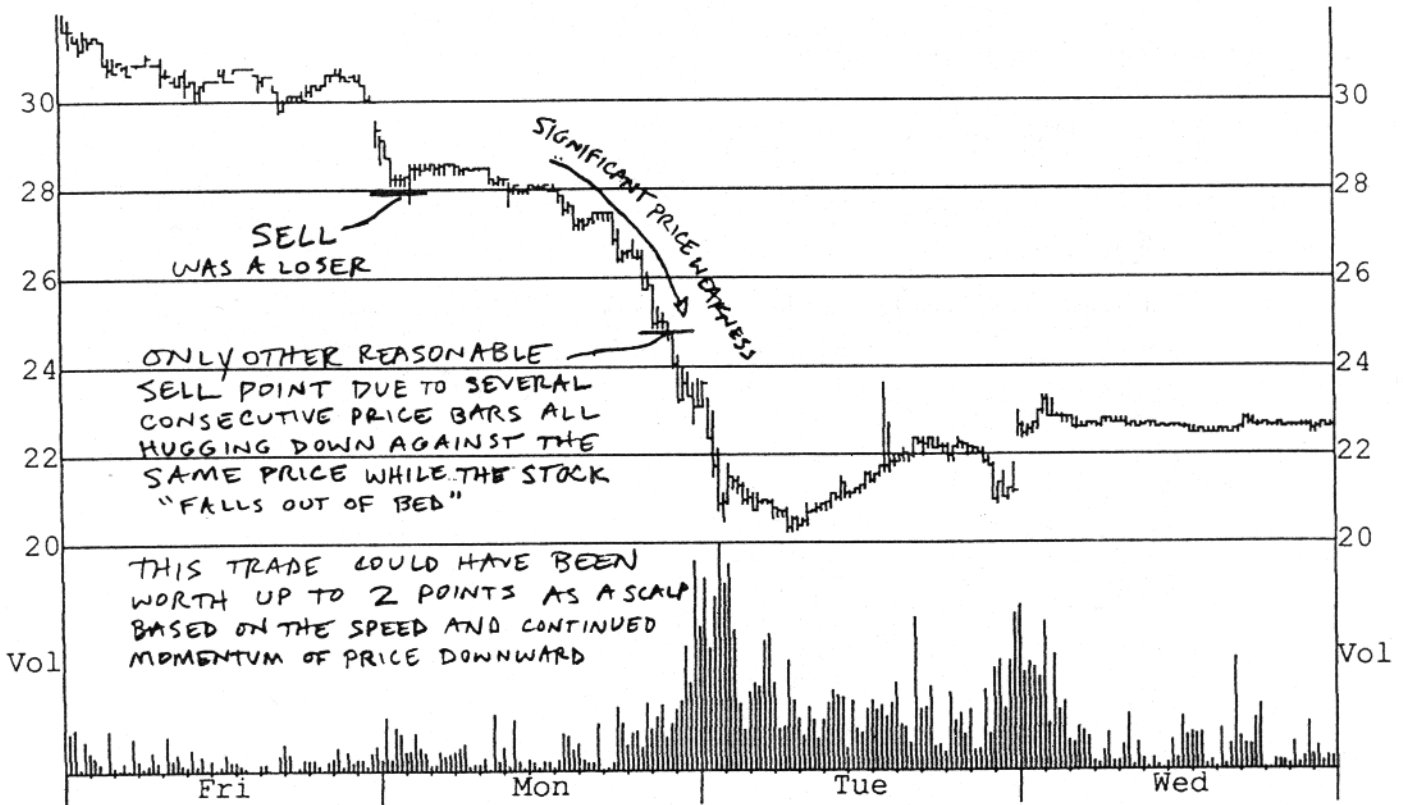


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V L S I TECHNOLOGY INC COM (VLSI)

22.68



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