



Daily "Idealized Trades" Report

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Major Companies Reporting Earnings

NVDA, Twitter (TWTR), Activision (ATVI), Expedia (EXPD)

Major Economic Reports for Tomorrow...

US initial unemployment claims (8:30am)

Quotes from Last Night's Planning

Still, notice where we are - we're back at the 2,700 "Round Number" pivot and we'll use it as our DEPARTURE POINT for Wednesday's session.

Look to play bearishly for additional "range" or consolidation (equilibrium) activity beneath 2,700 or else a surprise breakout and bigger retracement (of the collapse) play above 2,700.

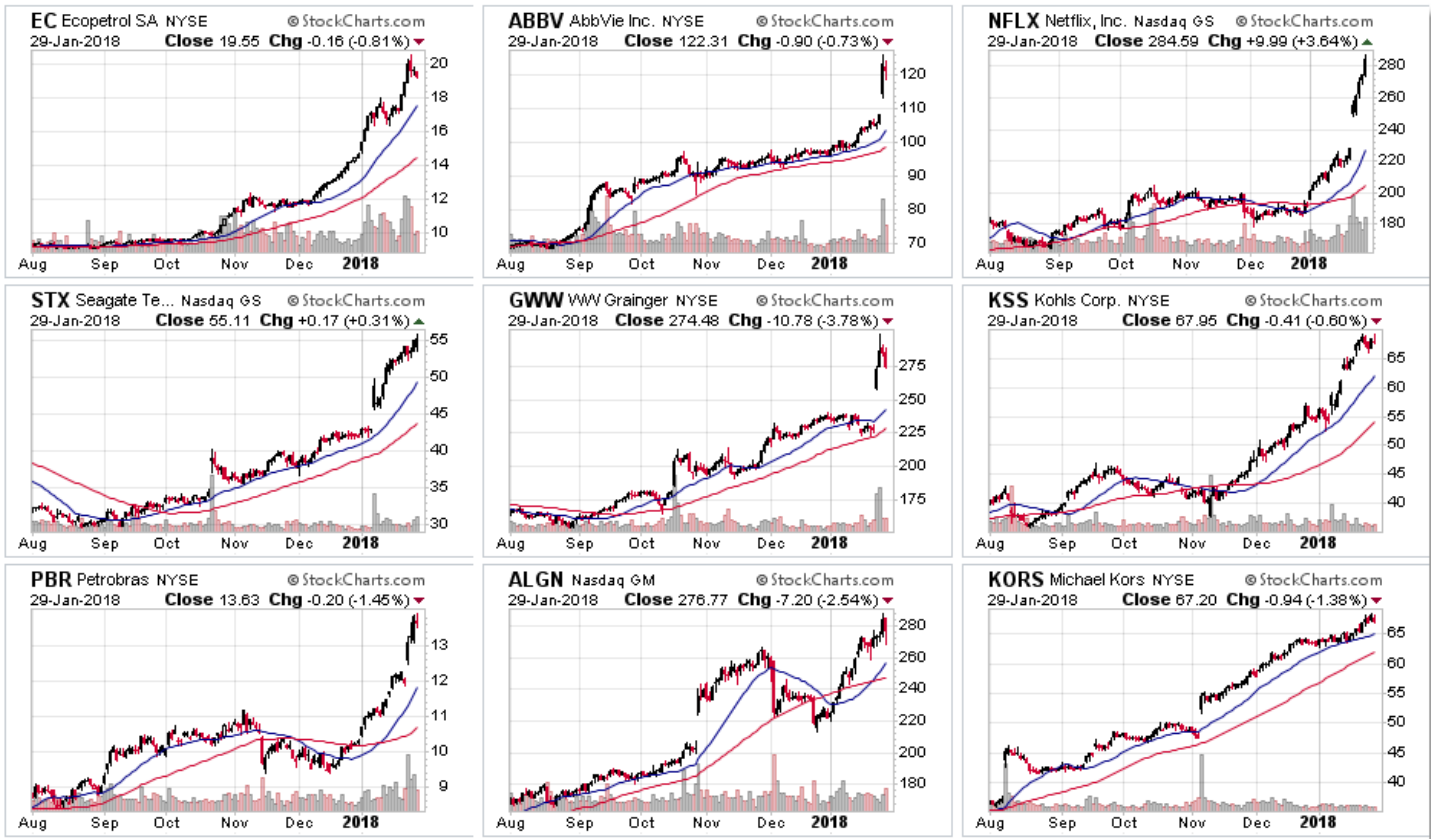
Look to play a neutral "both sides" bias between these levels (yes, it's 100 points) or else bullish "short-squeeze" biased above 2,700.

Note how we framed all trades in terms of the "departure" from 2,700 within the context of price trading (trending) above or beneath our 5-min EMAs.

The first two trades were simple trend day or trend-style retracement/pullback opportunities worth a small profit.

Trade #3 was an aggressive reversal or breakdown play which was also successful for a smaller-than-expected target. The final two trades were simple bearish retracement or sell-swing opportunities - and has been the case, all trades today were of smaller profit potential than any trade yesterday.

January 29 Power Trenders Strong Stock Scan



We're seeing the NEW top twelve relative strength leaders (via algorithm) in trending markets and the general expectation is to buy retracements or breakouts in these strongly trending names. The logic is that what is strong tends to get stronger (stocks attracting money flow tend to continue attracting additional money flow). Right now these would be the names and thus candidates above for you to do additional research and add these to your stock-scan list for possible inclusion into a swing trading portfolio on pullbacks or outright breakouts.

HOW WE USE THESE STOCKS:

I write the Power-Trending Stock Section for Swing Traders looking for candidates that complex stock scans will likely miss. The scan targets strongly trending stocks and the expectation is that price will continue trending higher, though of course additional analysis is required rather than just buying these names collectively. To participate in these stocks, we typically wait for a pullback/retracement to a rising moving average or Fibonacci/Trendline level to put on a buy/retracement where the stop is trailed under the average. These would be similar to how I describe intraday 'flag' retracements on a developing Trend Day.

FinViz "S&P 500 Performance" View



This chart and sector comparisons are useful two ways:

First, we get a broader sense of what's going on beneath the market subdivided into sectors.

Second, if you trade beyond the S&P 500 or futures/ETFs, you can pinpoint bearish/weak stocks by starting with bearish/weak sectors. The idea is outperform the market via short-selling a weak stock(s) in weak/bearish sectors on a down trend day (or vice versa).

Planning the 30-min Intraday @ES Futures Chart



Interestingly enough, price traded up through the 2,700 and 38.2% overlap exactly into our 50% Fibonacci or "halfway point" of the collapse. As negative divergences formed, it was acceptable to take a counter-trend or sell-swing opportunity that developed.

For Thursday, note once again 2,700 and be eager to continue playing the DEPARTURE away from this critical pivot just like today's session.

Planning the Next Day (Daily S&P 500 Cash Index)



There's no magic here - just observing and trading against (and toward) key price levels.

In the crash or high volatility environment, continue trading the LOWEST timeframe you can and monitor your trades more actively than normal.

For Thursday, note once again the 2,700 critical (obvious) pivot and frame your trades once again in terms of the departure from this level, noting a target play toward 2,645 then 2,600 again to the downside or 2,725 then 2,750 to the upside (on a departure trading plan).