

# SLOW TICKERS OUT OF FAVOR

NEW YORK (AP)—Plans of the New York Stock Exchange, announced for Feb. 5, to abbreviate symbols on 100 important stocks are expected to speed up the stock ticker almost 20 percent.

The ticker would then print an average of 55 transactions every sixty seconds upon the tape scrolling from the familiar chinking glass hive into the basket, a quickening in pace almost 50 percent above that of two years ago.

The change has been made necessary by the recent record-breaking bull market of 2,000,000 shares a day, during which the ticker at times has faltered as much as 15 to 42 minutes behind the actual trading.

Concurrently the Western Union Telegraph company, the Stock exchange agent for major distribution of stock quotations, is at work upon additional wire extension of the territory it serves directly. The stock exchange itself operates the tickers used by members in the financial district, south of Chambers Street.

The Western Union supplies all non-members in this area, all members and non-members north of this line throughout the city, and the remaining tickers in the country at large.

The Western Union at present flashes stock quotations by automatic transmission as far west as Cleveland, supplying Boston, Philadelphia, Washington, Baltimore, Pittsburgh, Albany, Syracuse and Rochester on the way. The company now aims within the next six months to push the western objective as far as Chicago, which is now by Morse relay, and also to embrace in this direct service Minneapolis, Omaha, Kansas City and St. Louis.

The new symbols will cause little inconvenience to the trading public. Selection does a broker's customer, it is said, have more than 15 separate stock issues in his strongbox, and he can readily memorize their changed designations anew. The hardest bit will be the brokers themselves and the reporters on the floor of the Stock exchange who pluck sales on the wing from the brokers milling around the score of trading posts, and to them it is all in the game.

Headline says consumption of cigarettes is increasing. And, we guess, cigarettes are increasing consumption.

What's in a name? Nothing. In New York city, Col. Sullivan is 93 and an usher at his church.

# CAMERAGRAMS



GRASS DOES NOT GROW UNDER HIS FEET, but on his head. But then, the head is just clay-moist clay—and the hair grass here is 20 days old. A new one is being made for San Francisco's St. Pat's Day celebration this year.



INTRODUCING to you members of the United States Supreme Court, William Howard Taft here. Twenty-seventh president of the United States. Appointed chief justice by President Harding, June 20, 1921.



THE CHAMPION Indian juvenile dancer, is the title claimed by this youngster. He is Little Crow Feathers, and is but 4 years old.



HERE'S CAROLINA LIN COLN-DEAN, prize winning beauty of Honolulu. She now is on her way to Hollywood with a movie contract, packed safely in her suitcase.

# ANIMAL LOVERS WOULD ABOLISH CRUELTEST TRAPS

WASHINGTON (AP)—A three-year campaign before state legislatures, with the backing of prominent humanitarians and humane workers, is about to be launched for the suppression of the steel trap and other non-killing devices for capture of furbearing animals.

The American Humane Association heads the list of organizations supporting the movement, and Mrs. Minnie Madden Pledge heads the list of individual workers who will lend their support. Commander Edward Bresh of the naval reserves, a historian and woodsman, will direct the campaign, announcement of which recently was made before the Humane Education Society of Washington.

Outlining the work, Commander Bresh told the society that while 100,000,000 fur-bearing animals were taken yearly in steel traps and suffered days and sometimes weeks of agony, not 10 percent of those taken were required to furnish furs for the actual needs of human beings in a cold weather. The history of the fur trade in America, he said, testified that the craze for summer furs increased the killing fourfold.

# Public conscience, when aroused, the speaker declared, would demand the abolition of the non-killing trap.

ROTTERDAM (AP)—The ten-thousandth vessel to enter this port last year was welcomed by the local authorities with much rejoicing as it came up the river, December 30. It was the steamer Jonge Anthony with a cargo of piece goods from Italy and wine and fruit from Spain.

Year-end statistics show that Holland's inland river shipping traffic, the most important of which is the Rhine traffic, has grown to more than three times the size of the preceding year, and even exceeds the record year of 1913 by over 2,000,000 tons.

The transit of German reparations coal was an important factor in this increase.

Ocean-going shipping, on the other hand did not show a corresponding growth.

It was revealed that re-appointment of Brigadier-General Mitchell as assistant chief of the army air service will be deferred until he explains certain statements regarding ability of the airplane.

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# EAST OREGON PIONEER DEAD

WALLOWA, Ore. (Special).—L. V. and Duane Lathrop of Leap received the sad word the first of the week of the death of their uncle, H. H. Whipple, at Beaverton, Oregon. Mr. Whipple was one of the early pioneers of Eastern Oregon, having lived at Sunnyside about 50 years ago; his moving to Montana where he lived for many years before going to Beaverton.

John Couch of Leap has been quite poorly for the past several days.

Mrs. J. B. Gastin and son, Dr., visited several days the latter part of the week with Mrs. Gastin's mother, Mrs. Cousins, of near Leath.

The past week has been very stormy in this section of the country, the rain and warm weather causing the snow to melt considerably. The slidding has become quite thin on many of the roads, making travel with any kind of a rig quite difficult.

The highway between here and Leath is said to be cutting up quite badly in many places, where the frost has gone out.

A number of cases of "flu" are reported in this section. Two children of James Gillissey are said to be very sick with severe cases of pneumonia following the "flu."

Mrs. L. Couch has been quite sick for the past several days, suffering from an attack of the "flu."

Miss Kay Downing came home from Enterprise the latter part of the week to spend the week-end with her folks.

F. A. Downing and Bruce French have been busy the past several days making wood shavings for Wallowa Grange No. 562 last Friday with a fairly large crowd of members in attendance. Members of the food committee met and discussed plans for dinner for the Pomona grange meeting which will be held here Saturday 7. Representatives are expected from all subordinate granges in the county, as well as from Taten and Baker counties.

# Y. M. C. A. WILL WELCOME PUPILS TO PALESTINE

CHICAGO (AP)—A mid-winter school of the prophets, which will open annually on Christmas eve on the Fields of the Shepherds and close on the orthodox Easter Sunday morning in the Church of the Resurrection is one of the features planned in the curricula of the Jerusalem Y. M. C. A., which is to have its home on a hill overlooking Jericho, one of the romantic spots of that country.

While all the fund needed to build the "Y" has not been obtained, sufficient was raised here at Christmas time to assure the enterprise, according to Dr. A. C. Hartie, in charge of the work of the International Committee in Jerusalem, who has just returned to Palestine. Dr. Hartie describes the new "Y" as a "temple of friendship for the forwarding of peace and good will among men."

He believes that such a building to the land of the Bible can be made a force for Bible students and scholars of all nations.

"For Jerusalem the 'Y' building will provide for the fourfold program of activities which is the result of almost a century of Y. M. C. A. experience," Dr. Hartie said before leaving. "For Bible lands we plan to provide a training school for Christian workers, physical directors and playground supervisors. For the religious world there will be a mid-winter school of the prophets. The object of this school will be to bring to evangelists, missionaries and Bible teachers of all lands the greatest

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# Germany's First Cable Railway

CHERWIESENTHAL, Saxony (AP)—The first cable railway in Germany to carry passengers has been inaugurated. It starts in this city and runs two miles to the top of Fichtel mountain, which has an altitude of 3,975 feet above the city. The cars suspended from the cable carry 20 persons.

TOKIO (AP)—Four divisions comprising 40,000 men of the Japanese army will be dismissed by May 1 in accordance with the general retrenchment plan of the government. The divisions abolished have been selected largely with a view to the economic results in the regions where they are stationed.

# Socialists Total Seven Millions.

BERLIN (AP)—The Berlin social democratic organ, Vorwarts, estimates that the strength of organized Socialists throughout the world in 1924 was 7,000,000. England heads the list with 3,150,000 members of the Labor party, Germany comes second with 800,000 and Austria third with 540,000.