

# DISAPPEARANCE OF CHICAGO MERCHANT

## Mystery Surrounds the Whereabouts of F. R. Wieboldt.

Chicago, Jan. 30.—Mystery surrounds the disappearance of F. R. Wieboldt, a former well-to-do merchant who has been missing since Saturday night. Mr. Wieboldt is said to have drowned himself in the lake, but this his daughter Martha, who has been visiting friends since he disappeared, denies.

# Acute Depression on Stock Market

New York, Jan. 30.—Acute depression developed in the stock market again today and the fall in prices took on threatening proportions in the late trading. The high opening seemed to be largely due to the influence of the quarterly statement of earnings of the United States Steel corporation, which was not published until after the close of yesterday's market. The opening advance of  $\frac{1}{2}$  in the stock attracted such a pressure of selling orders as effectually demonstrated that eager advantage was taken of the stimulating effect of the report on the demand for the stock to market large holdings. The first price was the highest of the day, and although the stock showed occasional resistance, the pressure of the general market and failure to advance of United States steel was conclusive in shaping sentiment of the whole market.

Successful inroads were made at first on a few prominent stocks, notably Pennsylvania, Erie and Reading. The yielding tendency of these stocks affected the whole market by sympathy.

The fierce raiding tactics of the bears left a large shortage to be covered at the last, and this was the cause of the feverish rallies. Otherwise the market closed unsettled and in disorder.

Bonds are heavy with total sales of a par value of \$1,674,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

# New Bank Has been Founded

New York, Jan. 30.—The formation of a new national bank to care for business originating with the big copper interests was announced here today. The institution will be named the National Copper Bank of New York, and will be capitalized at \$2,000,000.

# TO IMPROVE THE SANTA FE LINE

## An Issuance of \$98,000,000 for Extension of Lines

Topeka, Kas., Jan. 30.—The stockholders of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railway here today voted in favor of the issuance of \$98,000,000 in bonds to secure money for improvements and the extension of certain lines.

# STILL PLAYING THE NATIONAL GAME

## A serious Revolution in San Salvador

San Salvador, Jan. 30.—The government is despatching troops to suppress "the outlaws who have been committing murders in some of the country districts."

Panama, Jan. 30.—It is believed that a serious revolution is pending in Salvador, and that it will probably be headed by General Bona-hona.

# CHICAGO HAS 4,000 CASES OF FEVER

## And Diphtheria is Also Raging in the Windy City

Chicago, Jan. 30.—Three hundred and fourteen new cases of scarlet fever were reported here today, a total of 4,000.

Diphtheria cases are increasing. A proclamation by Board of Health Commissioner Whelan calls on people generally to cancel their social engagements for the time being.

# BRIBED BY A NEWSPAPER MAN

## Tells How He was Instructed With the Body

New York, Jan. 30.—Early Harding, a newspaper reporter, at the examination today of Ald. William S. Clifford (Municipal Ownership league), charged with bribery, told of the alleged arrangement whereby \$6,000 was to be turned over to one David Mann, a friend of Clifford, which sum, it is charged, was to be given to Clifford for equal distribution among fellow leaguers on the board of aldermen, when they should vote for Judge Rufus B. Cowan for the vacant recordership.

# OTTAWA ATHLETES ON TRIAL FOR ASSAULT

## The Two Smiths and Spittal Charged with Rough House

Ottawa Jan. 30.—Alf. and Harry Smith and Charlie Spittal, of the Ottawa hockey club, appeared in the police court today to answer to charges of assault in connection with the Wanderer-Ottawa hockey match played in Montreal recently.

The case of Harry Smith went over to Feb. 9th, owing to difficulty of securing witnesses, but evidence was put up against the others and they agreed to make voluntary statements this afternoon, on which they will be committed for trial.

Blatchford and Patrick of the Wanderers were two of the most important witnesses for the prosecution, but Patrick did not appear to have seen very much of the alleged hard hitting. Prosecution found much difficulty in getting witnesses to go on with the case.

# Montreal Merchants Elect Their president

Montreal, Jan. 30.—The results of the board of trade elections were announced today. George Caverhill was elected by acclamation, but there was a contest between T. J. Drummond and Peter Lyall for vice president, and the former was elected.

The members of the council elected are as follows: J. R. Binning, A. A. Ayer, George L. Cains, J. S. N. Dougall, Geo. A. Kohle, J. P. Mullarky, S. L. McCulloch, Edgar McDougall, Alex. Millaurin, Alex. Orsalle, and J. A. Richardson.

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