

## What New Highs Mean for Stocks, BTC

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Equities had something of **an uncertain start** this week, with the S&P 500, Nasdaq, and DJIA all declining at first. The S&P 500 fell more than 1% on Tuesday, but as Fundstrat Head of Research Tom Lee pointed out, after each of **the last two times** such declines took place – January 31, 2024 and February 13, 2024, “those **dips were bought** and **the market went on to make new highs**.” That happened again this week, with the S&P 500 making new highs on Thursday.

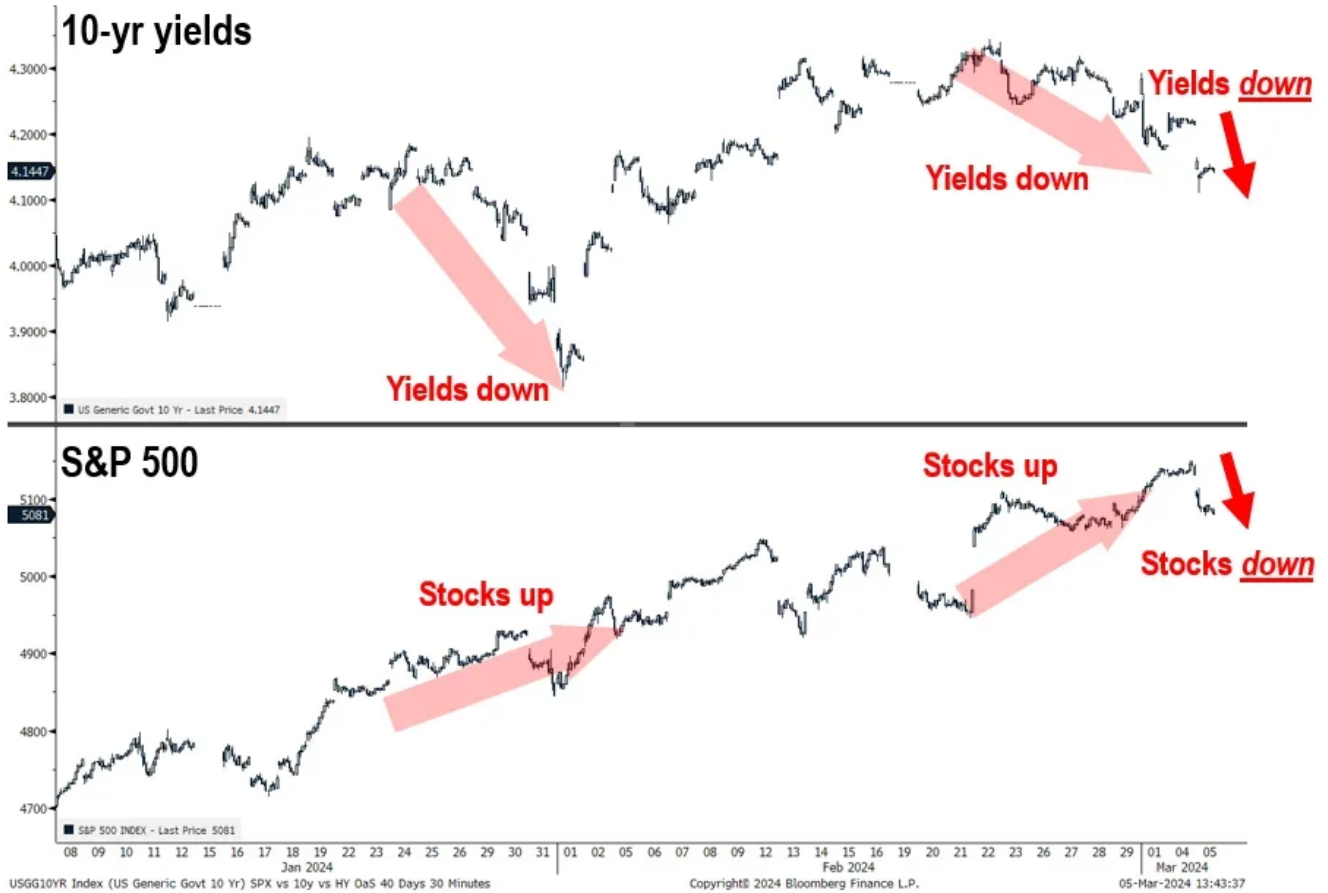
Nevertheless, Lee sounded a **cautionary** note. As he has pointed out in the past, one signal of an impending top is stocks falling after good news. As he sees it, “in a way, a drop in rates is a ‘good news’ event,” yet **when yields fell on Tuesday, the stock market also fell** (as shown in our Chart of the Week below). Because of this, he urges watchfulness even though he continues to suspect that there is still “gas in the tank” of this rally.

Like Lee, Fundstrat Head of Technical Strategy Mark Newton remains constructive on equities. “**I suspect that SPX is en route to ~5200** and potentially even 5250 by March 20, and it’s necessary for SPX to break 5057 on a daily close to have any concern about even a minor two-day pullback,” he said. Newton also pointed out that the equal-weighted S&P 500 has made its sixth straight weekly gain.

**“Technology underperformance is making the market seem worse than it actually is [...]** and it’s worth pointing out that the most recent weekly close for SPX is **only the third negative week in four and a half months.**”



## BOND VS STOCKS: Yields down and stocks down



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As our Chart of the Week shows, when yields fell on Tuesday, the stock market also fell. “In a way, a drop in rates is a ‘good news’ event,” as Fundstrat Head of Research Tom Lee sees it, so even though he still sees “gas in the tank” of the present rally, this could be seen as stocks falling on good news – a potential sign that a near-term top is approaching.

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### *Key incoming data*

- ~~3/05 9:45 am ET: Feb F S&P Global Services & Composite PMI~~ **Tame**
- ~~3/05 10:00 am ET: Feb ISM Services~~ **Tame**
- ~~3/06 10:00 am ET: Powell Testimony before US House Financial Services Committee~~ **Dovish**
- ~~3/06 10:00 am ET: Jan JOLTS Job Openings~~ **Tame**
- ~~3/06 2:00 pm ET: Fed Releases Beige Book~~ **Tame**
- ~~3/07 8:30 am ET: 4QF 2023 Nonfarm Productivity~~ **Tame**
- ~~3/07 9:00 am ET: Feb F Manheim Used Vehicle Index~~ **Tame**
- ~~3/07 10:00 am ET: Powell Testimony before US Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs~~ **Dovish**
- ~~3/08 8:30 am ET: Feb Jobs Report~~ **Mixed**
- ~~3/12 8:30 am ET: Feb CPI~~



- 3/14 8:30 am ET: Feb PPI
- 3/14 8:30 am ET: Feb Retail Sales Data
- 3/15 8:30 am ET: Mar Empire Manufacturing Survey
- 3/15 10:00 am ET: Mar P U. Mich. Sentiment and Inflation Expectation

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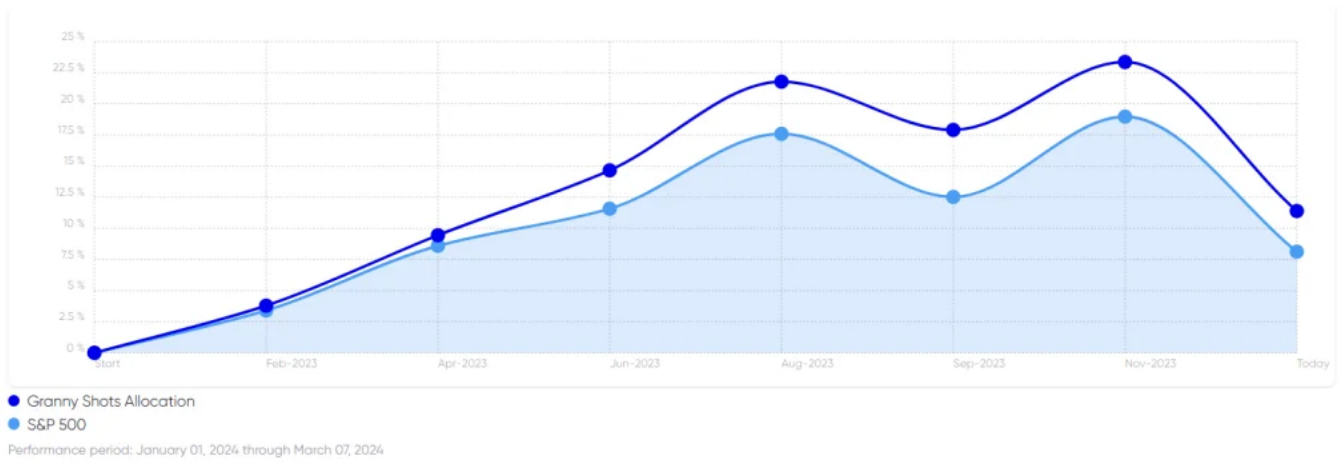
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## *Stock List Performance*



### Year to Date Granny Shots Performance



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