

MIDSUMMER DEATH OF MARKET TRADING

A BIT OF ARTIFICIAL ACTIVITY IN POOLED SPECIALTIES IS THE ONLY STIR.

New York, July 6.—Aside from some artificial activity at higher prices in the group of "pooled" specialties today's stock market dragged along in traditional midsummer fashion.

Table of stock market data including New York Closing Stocks, Boston Closing Mining, and various commodity prices like Wheat, Metals, and Livestock.

EMPTYING THE PENITENTIARY KEEPS THIS GOVERNOR BUSY



South Carolina penitentiary, Governor Cole L. Blease, and group of negro prisoners pardoned by him.

Columbia, S. C., July 6.—Governor Cole L. Blease of South Carolina, who has pardoned 1,200 convicts in the last three years, means to clean out the state penitentiary by August 1, turn it into a hospital and end by showing clemency to more men than any other governor on the American continent.

except mercy moves him in behalf of prisoners. Governor Blease's leniency has made him a target for criticism in all sections of the United States. In reply to this he says: "If my friends are pleased, I am overjoyed. If my enemies are not pleased, I can't help it, and their sweating and fuming will avail them nothing."

In committing to life imprisonment the sentence of electrocution passed on State Morris, a negro of Greenville county, the governor said: "Liken negroes to mules. The defendant was convicted of killing another negro. I am naturally against electrocuting or hanging one negro for killing another, because, if a man had two fine mules running loose in a lot and one went mad and kicked and killed the other he certainly would not take his gun and shoot the other mule. He would work it and try to get another in place of the one killed. Therefore I believe when one negro kills another he should be put in the penitentiary and made to work for the state."

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Can't Stop Governor. The constitution of South Carolina gives the governor absolute power to liberate violators of the criminal code. Neither the courts nor the general assembly can stay his hand. The men paroled by the governor are as free as those pardoned outright. The state has no system of tracing paroled prisoners, and the task of gathering them together would be impossible.

WHAT OF IT? Pipestone, Minn., July 6.—An egg that was discovered at the farm of William Roscoe, Sr., when dinner was being prepared yesterday measured eight and three-fourths inches in circumference, and upon being opened was found to contain, instead of a yolk, another egg that was normal in every particular.

EXPENSIVE. Des Moines, Iowa, July 6.—The cost of running the state government increased \$2,598,641 during the biennial period, compared with the biennial period which ended June 30, 1912, according to the figures prepared by Q. A. Willis, deputy treasurer of state.

THE OLD STORY. Portland, Me., July 6.—Ten of the crew of the Gloucester fishing schooner Rex, which arrived here late last night, are missing, the captain reported today. He said they had been caught out in their dories in a dense fog off the Grand Banks.

HEART AND HAND. All the wealth of grace and beauty unto willing hands belongs; "They who break out into duty soon will break out into songs."

GREAT CROPS. Ortonville, Minn., July 6.—The prospect for a bumper crop of small grain in this section of the state, especially in Big Stone, Lac qui Parle, Swift and Stevens counties, were never better. The acreage which will suffer from the rains will be small. Corn will be a good crop should the weather turn favorable within the next week. Rye, wheat and barley are headed out in several places. Alfalfa, timothy and clover fields are flourishing.

SHE'LL WED A NAVY MAN NEXT AUTUMN



MISS MARY M'CAULEY. Miss Mary McAuley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward McAuley of Washington, it is announced, will become the bride of Naval Constructor Herbert Seymour Howard early next fall. Miss McAuley is one of the most prominent society girls at the capital, a sister of Mrs. Walcott Tuckerman, Mrs. Clarence O'Donnell Lee of Philadelphia and Lieutenant Commander McAuley, U. S. N. She made her debut three seasons ago.

BOY ROBBERS. Grand Forks, July 6.—A gang of boys, none of them over 15 years of age, who have, it is said, been robbing Northern Pacific freight cars during the last week or so, were today rounded up by William Ryan, special agent of the railroad.

THEY SAW IT. Bemidji, Minn., July 6.—Twenty-four cases of pneumonia may result from the exposures to which the 24 members of the "See Minnesota First" party of University of Minnesota students, under the direction of Professor Lehnerts, were subjected.

CRIMINALS. Berkeley, Cal., July 6.—Professor Carl Kobay electrified a class of the summer session of the University of California today by asking: "Is there any one here who is not a criminal? If so, let him raise his hand." No hands were raised.

AN ALIBI. Albany, N. Y., July 6.—Four witnesses swore today that Malcolm Gifford, Jr., on trial here for murdering Frank J. Clute, was not the passenger Clute carried in his automobile the night he was slain.

BIG LOSS. New York, July 6.—New York city lost \$40,000,000 through deaths of babies under one year of age, says Garrett Smith, secretary of the baby week committee.

A CAPITOL. Havana, July 6.—The house of representatives has appropriated \$1,000,000 with which to build a capitol.

PERCENTAGE SHOWS INTERESTING FACTS

COMPARISON OF MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS OF RECENT SEASONS.

With the major league baseball clubs about to enter upon the second half of their 1914 campaign a comparison with the records of the past two years develops some interesting data regarding the strength and weakness of the teams of the National and American circuits. In the senior organization the New York Giants led their league on July 1 in both 1912 and 1913. Two years ago the McGrawites were making a runaway race of the pennant contest, having won 50 and lost 11 games for an average of 82.0.

Philadelphia, Brooklyn, St. Louis and Boston followed in the order named with percentages of 42.5, 40.7, 39.1 and 30.3, respectively. Last season's standing showed several marked changes over this order, for while the Giants were showing the way, their lead was of the narrowest margin, for Philadelphia was in second place and Brooklyn following the Quakers closely. In fact but 129 points separated the first four teams against approximately 300 in 1912.

The New York club, ultimate winners of the 1913 pennant, had a percentage of 53.5 to Philadelphia's 43.3. The Giants had won 49 games and lost 23, while the Quakers' score stood 38 games won and 23 lost. Brooklyn, which held sixth place in 1912, was but 78 points behind the second place club, having won 34 games and lost 27. Chicago completed the list of first division teams with a percentage of 35.5. The second half of the league standing was occupied by Pittsburgh, St. Louis, Boston and Cincinnati, with respective percentages of 44.1, 43.4, 41.3 and 37.9.

In the American league the Philadelphia Athletics were not playing at top speed in 1912 and held second place with the Boston Red Sox showing the way. Chicago was third and Washington fourth. The race was much closer, however, than that in the National organization, for Boston had but 128 points separating the first and fourth teams, the standing being: Boston, won 45, lost 21, percentage 68.7; Philadelphia, won 38, lost 25, percentage 60.7; Chicago, won 38, lost 25, percentage 57.6; Washington, won 38, lost 30, percentage 55.6. Cleveland, Detroit, New York and St. Louis formed the rear guard in the order named.

Last season the Athletics held a lead of such proportions that the fans were already beginning to concede the pennant to Connie Mack's players. With 48 games won and 17 lost, the Philadelphia club showed a percentage of 73.8 against Cleveland's 50.0, for 42 games won and 28 lost. Chicago was again in third place with 33 victories and 32 defeats, giving the White Sox 54.3, Washington, white not going as strong as in 1912, still managed to hold fourth place, 13 points behind Chicago and five points ahead of Boston, which in one year had dropped from first to fifth place, Detroit, St. Louis and New York brought up in the rear as they did in 1912.

TO LET YOU KNOW. In a discussion of the number of automobile accidents due to careless or incompetent driving, Henry Ford said the other day in Detroit: "These accidents do automobilizing harm. They make people talk like Cernellus Husk."

GREAT RICE CROP. Calcutta, July 6.—The most important staple of the province of Assam is rice. Last year's crop exceeded that of the previous year by about 50,000 tons, but prices ruled high in consequence of strong demand from other districts. The total value of the trade of the province was approximately Rs. 185,000,000 of which the greater part represented exports of merchandise.

REPRIMAND. Philadelphia, July 6.—General R. K. Evans, former commander of the department of the east, will be privately reprimanded by the president, it is said, in consequence of his speech at a recent banquet in New York, in which General Evans is said to have made indiscreet references to the foreign policy of the United States.

A LONG TIME. Sawyer, N. D., July 6.—Milo J. Pitkin, a veteran printer, who learned to set type 60 years ago and was a civil war veteran, will celebrate his golden wedding tomorrow. He and Mrs. Pitkin made a 700-mile wagon trip last year. He assists in getting out the local publication.

CYCLONE IN MICHIGAN. Eaton Rapids, Mich., July 6.—A cyclone swept Eaton township, doing damage estimated at \$150,000. Many persons were injured, Mrs. William Ford probably fatally. Barns were wrecked, orchards and shade trees uprooted, fences leveled and growing crops damaged.

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