

MARKET CLOSED STRONG

FEATURES WERE BOOTH AND COMBINATION FRACTION YESTERDAY.

The stock market is still occupying great attention, closing strong at the close of every day's transactions. On the Goldfield exchange last evening the volume of business was enormous and the transactions in San Francisco were the greatest for many a day. Combination Fraction and Booth were the features. Fraction closed at \$1.25 and sales of Booth being made at 26 1/2. Florence sold at \$3.15 and \$3.20. Tonopahs were strong. Belmont advanced to 99, while the rest held their own. Brokers are confident that a steady rise will continue for some time.

READY TO CUT TWO CENT RATE

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, July 23.—The two-cent passenger rate which the western railroads have maintained ever since state legislatures began whacking at revenues derived from this branch of business, has gone to smash. Hereafter reduced rates will be made, and will be as low as any individual railroad sees fit to make them in order to induce business, control it or please "constituents."
Notice was given by the Rock Island lines today that if a proposition to grant a reduced rate for the merchants' meeting to be held in Chicago and elsewhere is voted down, independent action will be taken by them. It is stated that after vainly striving with other roads to maintain 2 cents as the minimum passenger rate in western territory they have decided that it cannot be done, and will therefore make a rate of 1 1/2 cents for the round trip for merchants' meetings when so requested.

TEN KILLED IN POLITICAL FEUD

(By Associated Press.)
RIO JANEIRO, July 23.—A fatal political feud is reported from the little town of St. Ann Du Paranahyba, in the state of Matto Grosso. The trouble arose over local politics and was confined to two families, both prominent and influential in the community. Ill feeling ran so high that a general armed contest resulted in which ten men were killed. Among the dead are two magistrates.

WESTERN PACIFIC RUSHING WORK

OROVILLE, Cal., July 23.—Contractors between Oroville and Big Bar have received orders to put every man that they can possibly use at work upon the Western Pacific, and if possible the road will be laid to Big Bar, the present objective point, by fall. In sixty days, it is estimated, the track will be at French Creek, where a bridge is yet to be constructed. The foundation for the bents for the bridge has already been secured, however, and it is not thought that this bridge will delay the track-laying machine.

THE METAL MARKET.
NEW YORK, July 23.—Lead steady, 4.45 @ 4.50; lake cop- per, firm, 12 7-8 @ 13; silver, 52 1/2.

CONFESSES TO MURDER OF HIS AUNT

NEW YORK, July 23.—August Eberhard, who was arrested for murdering his aunt, Mrs. Ottilie Eberhard, made full confession to the detectives today. The reason he gave for committing the crime was that he was in love with a New York girl, and that he needed money to marry her. Knowing his aunt had \$2500 he plotted to kill her and steal the money. Eberhard said he also intended to kill his pretty cousin, Ottilie Eberhard, to whom he was engaged, so nothing would be in his way of his marriage to the New York girl. The police have the name of the girl mentioned by Eberhard. She will be brought to Hackensack to tell what she knows of the murder. An important point in the confession was the statement by Eberhard that he had an accomplice in the murder plot. He said, however, that the accomplice had no hand in the killing of Mrs. Eberhard. This man, who was one of the murderer's friends, has fled to the west. The police are looking for him.

DYNAMITER LOCATED IN CALIFORNIA

(By Associated Press.)
MARYSVILLE, July 23.—That Peter Claudianes, the Greek, wanted in San Francisco in connection with the dynamiting of the Oakland residence of former Supervisor James Gallagher, was in this city July 9, and that he is now in this neighborhood, was admitted today by his uncle, N. K. Eustathiw, who came here this afternoon, after accompanying two San Francisco detectives up Feather River canyon as far as Big Bar. Eustathiw says he is anxious to capture his nephew himself and turn him over to the officers. The Greek who last night gave information that Claudianes was here became frightened and refused to talk further. He says some one saw him talking with a newspaper man last night and threatened him with bodily harm. Felix Padeauvaris, another Greek wanted in connection with the case, was also seen here July 9.

BRYAN INVITES NEGROES

"FEARLESS ONE" NOW AFTER THE COLORED VOTE STRONG.

(By Associated Press.)
FAIRVIEW, Neb., July 23.—A determination by the Democrats to capture the negro votes of the south was further emphasized today when W. J. Bryan told a delegation of negroes from Lincoln that it was his desire that they should get in touch with their brethren elsewhere, particularly in Ohio, and agree upon lines of a campaign on behalf of the Democratic ticket. Beginning today Bryan retires as editor of The Commoner, a signed letter in the paper announcing that his candidacy for the presidency makes it necessary for him to take such action. This is coupled with the interesting statement that as a personal campaign contribution the profits of The Commoner over and above actual running expenses will be turned over to the Democratic campaign fund.

ROOSEVELT TO KEEP UP RELENTLESS FIGHT

PRINCE WAS THE CENTRAL FIGURE

(By Associated Press.)
QUEBEC, July 23.—The Prince of Wales was the central figure today in the magnificent spectacle of re-introducing Quebec's historic past and ushering in the three hundredth anniversary of the founding of the city by Champlain. Aside from the spectacular features of the event it was the occasion for a notable exchange of addresses between Vice President Fairbanks and the Prince of Wales, in which each spoke of the existing relations between the United States and Great Britain and the Prince delivered a message of good will to the American government.

Will Prosecute Standard Oil Company Despite the Ad- verse Decision By Court of Appeals to Government.

(By Associated Press.)
OYSTER BAY, July 23.—President Roosevelt tonight announced in unmistakable terms the determination of the administration to proceed with the prosecution of the Standard oil case despite the decision adverse to the government handed down by the United States court of appeals yesterday. This decision the president thinks in no way affects the merits of the case, and he makes known his decision to cause an action to be brought again before the courts in such shape, if possible, as to prevent technicalities interfering with a decision based upon the actual issues involved.

WATSON TALKS TO LARGE AUDIENCE

(By Associated Press.)
MACON, Ga., July 23.—Thomas Watson, Populist candidate for president, opened his campaign here tonight in a speech of one hour to an audience that taxed the capacity of the grand opera house. He asked for Georgia's electoral votes and said if necessary he would give them to Taft to defeat Bryan. His assaults were all directed at Bryan and his praises were for Roosevelt and Taft.

FRUIT TRAINS ARE MOVING FORWARD

RENO, July 23.—Figures on the business being done by the Southern Pacific this month and last show that the tonnage being hauled is twice as large as at the same season last year.
Much of the business this month is perishable freight, fruit eastbound in refrigerator cars. The tables show that the average tonnage is over 1800 per train and that twelve trains a day are being hauled.
The westbound freight is composed largely of general merchandise, some produce going west from the middle western states.
Train crews and engines have been put into service from time to time until at present there are more men working in and out of Sparks than at any time during the last nine months.

SELECT SPEAKERS FOR CAMPAIGN

(By Associated Press.)
DENVER, July 23.—Frank Hitchcock, chairman of the Republican national committee, arrived today in an automobile from Colorado Springs in company with other members of the party and left immediately on the 9 o'clock train over the Burlington route for Chicago. Upon arrival there he will confer with a number of political leaders from the middle west states and arrange for a conference such as was had at Colorado Springs to organize for the campaign in the west. It is now certain that a great deal of campaigning in the west will be done by Senators Borah of Idaho, Long of Kansas, LaFollette of Wisconsin and Dolliver of Iowa. If possible these men will be kept in the western states practically all the time. It is expected here that Borah will be the western member of the national committee.

Many Troopers Killed In Electrical Storm

(By Associated Press.)
GETTYSBURG, Pa., July 23.—As the result of a terrific electrical storm which passed over the Pennsylvania national guard encampment here tonight it is reported that at least six troopers were killed and two score injured, some seriously, by being struck by lightning.
A tent occupied by Governor Stuart was blown down as were a number of others. Several friends were sitting with the governor when the tent collapsed, but the party managed to hold the canvass and all escaped injury. The camp is flooded and telegraphic service is practically at a standstill. The entire camp is panic stricken. The darkness is impenetrable and the men are wildly running about through rivers of water seeking the injured. Every tent of a battery was torn down but no one in the battery was hurt. The regimental guard tent of the Tenth regiment was struck by lightning and forty men in Company C were badly injured. The field hospital is full and men are lying about the camp waiting for aid.

CHAFFEUR DISPLAYS WONDERFUL NERVE

(By Associated Press.)
RENO, July 23.—Although badly wounded and suffering great pain, Louis Cohn, a chauffeur driving an automobile between Winnemucca and Dun Glen, yesterday drove a car fifteen miles before he fainted from loss of blood. While going to Dun Glen the machinery was disabled. As Cohn stepped out a heavy revolver fell from his hip pocket, striking the spokes of the wheel, discharging a bullet above the heart, coming out at his neck. Cohn was placed in the car by passengers and drove back to Winnemucca.

RAILROAD MEN ARE INDICTED

NEW YORK, July 23.—It was announced late tonight by counsel for the racetrack interests that the three men indicted this afternoon by the Kings county grand jury in connection with the racetrack gambling investigation are William A. Engelman (owner of Brighton Beach racetrack); Christopher Fitzgerald, president of the Brighton Beach Racing association, and John G. Cavanaugh, manager of the betting ring.
There was another sensational move in the racetrack war late in the afternoon at Brighton Beach. Shortly before the fifth race, Acting Captain Kuhne, with half a dozen detectives, raided the offices of John G. Cavanaugh, manager of the betting ring, and a thorough search of the place was made and all books and papers confiscated.

DOUGLAS OUT OF POLITICAL GAME

(By Associated Press.)
MOUNT BEACH, Mass., July 23.—"I'm out of politics forever," declared former Governor William Douglas today, when upon his return from a yachting trip of several days he was questioned concerning reports from Lincoln, Nebraska, that he might be named as chairman of the Democratic national committee.
"While I shall deeply appreciate the compliment if tendered me, I shall not accept, as I'm out of politics forever," said Douglas.

RAILROADS PERFECT GIGANTIC MERGER

(By Associated Press.)
DENVER, July 23.—The Denver and Rio Grande Railway company and the Rio Grande Western Railroad company, all subsidiary railroad companies in Colorado and Utah, with the exception of the Rio Grande Southern, were today merged into one company, which will be known as the Denver and Rio Grande railroad company. The new company will file articles of incorporation after due notice to stockholders and will issue \$150,000,000 in bonds and \$88,000,000 in stocks.

TAFT PAYS VISIT TO THE PRESIDENT

OYSTER BAY, July 23.—William Taft, Republican presidential nominee, was the guest of the president at Sagamore Hill for several hours today. During the judge's visit the speech of acceptance which he will deliver at Cincinnati next Tuesday was discussed with the president and Secretary of State Root, who was also a guest at the president's summer home. The judge took luncheon and dinner with the president and Secretary Root, and at 9 o'clock tonight left Oyster Bay in an automobile for New York City.

PREDICTS WAR IN CENTRAL AMERICA

(By Associated Press.)
PANAMA, July 23.—A prominent consul now here who lived for many years in Central America, informed an Associated Press representative tonight that he had received a cablegram this afternoon stating that war had been declared or would be declared any moment by Nicaragua and Honduras against Guatemala and Salvador.

OUTSIDE CLIENTS INCREASE ORDERS

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, July 23.—There was a manifest growth in the general participation in transactions of stocks today, commission houses reporting increased orders from scattered outside clientele. The market broadened perceptibly. Bonds were strong.

BASEBALL.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.
Results of Yesterday's Games.
Brooklyn, 4; Pittsburg, 3.
AMERICAN LEAGUE.
Results of Yesterday's Games.
Detroit, 4; Washington, 2.
Chicago, 6; New York, 2 (first game).
Chicago, 6; New York, 3 (second game).
Philadelphia, 1; Cleveland, 0.
St. Louis, 4; Boston, 2.
PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE.
Results of Yesterday's Games.
Los Angeles, 4; San Francisco, 1.
Oakland, 2; Portland, 1.

2544