

Condensed News of the Week

The Chicago Journal, the oldest daily newspaper in Illinois, has been sold to John C. Eastman, formerly business manager of Hearst's American.

Representatives of the Harriman-Rockefeller interests and those of the Hill-Morgan interests have agreed to have the court decide the method of distributing the securities held by the Northern Securities company.

As a result of the coal strike at Des Moines, Ia., seventy-five churches will close until the coal famine is over. It is said that the hotels have only enough coal to last a few days.

An Associated press dispatch under date of Springfield, Ill., April 3, says: The Illinois miners and operators signed the state agreement, effective for two years. When the joint convention met today there was not one dissenting vote against the agreement reached by the joint scale committee.

The Standard Oil company has brought suit in the United States supreme court at Sioux Falls, S. D., in which it attacks the provisions of an act of the legislature in 1903 requiring that all oil brought into the state of South Dakota for commercial purposes must stand a test of 46 degrees beaume and must not contain more than 4 per cent residue. The company alleges that this power in the state will render valueless all oil now owned by the company in the southern district of South Dakota or to be shipped into the state and it seeks to obtain a permanent injunction restraining the oil inspector from enforcing the law.

As a sequel to the failure of the firm of D. I. Sulley & Co., the firm of W. B. Mack & Co. has suspended business on the cotton exchange. It is reported that they were creditors of D. J. Sulley & Co. to the extent of \$30,000 to \$40,000.

Fifteen business blocks were destroyed last Monday by a fire at West Tampa, Fla., and as a result several hundred families of cigarmakers are homeless.

The Capital National Bank of Guthrie, O. T., has closed its doors reporting its assets at \$1,255,000 and its liabilities at \$1,033,000.

Charles Mostyn Owen of the Utah-American bureau of information, of Salt Lake City, made a visit to the German ambassador to protest against the appearance at the international school hygienic congress to be held in Nuremberg, Bavaria, of Heber J. Grant. Mr. Owens claims that Mr. Grant is a Mormon and morally unfitted to represent the state from which he was appointed. The ambassador advised Mr. Owen that the embassy had no jurisdiction in the matter.

In a petition sent to Washington, the soldiers at Fort Sheridan have entered a formal protest against the quality of food served to them. The men say they will not re-enlist unless some improvement is made in this direction.

The St. Louis Humane society has taken steps to prevent the killing and eating of dogs by the tribe of Igorrotes now at the fair.

The democrats of Milwaukee re-elected Mayor Rose by a plurality of 5,912.

The democratic state central committee of Ohio met at Columbus and elected R. L. Starr, a supporter of W. R. Hearst, as temporary chairman of the state convention.

A statement was made by both Don Zeitz of the New York World and John Norris of the New York Times, to the effect that two companies, the General Paper company and the International Paper company, have divided the United States between them in the control of news print paper. The International controls all that territory east of the Indiana line and the General paper company all the territory west of it. They report that the price of paper has raised \$14 per ton in the last four years and \$5 during the past year and that the product is sold in London at 30 per cent less than in New York.

Former Secretary Root will be temporary chairman and Speaker Cannon permanent chairman of the republican national convention, to be held in Chicago.

An Associated press dispatch under date of Seattle, Wash., April 6, says: Counterfeit half and quarter dollars are being manufactured in China and shipped through Seattle into the United States. The imitation is very nearly perfect. The coin is of the standard degree of fineness, the weight is from one to ten grains short and the design is almost perfect.

About ten thousand letters soliciting contributions for a Hanna memorial chair have been sent to nearly every prominent city in the United States, Hawaii, Cuba, Mexico and other countries.

Reports from Berlin announce that swarms of locusts have devastated the valleys of German East Africa and that the most terrible snow-storm would give no idea of their numbers. They have completely destroyed everything but the coffee plant, which they seem to dislike.

Newspaper men to the number of 8,000, representing every state in the Union and every country in the world, will be at the St. Louis fair during the week of May 16 to 21.

In a collision between trains in Chicago, a number of Indians who were going to join "Buffalo Bill's" show in England were killed. Their chief, with both legs broken and his body crushed, sat smoking his pipe while dying.

While visiting in Barcelona, Alfonso, king of Spain, was the victim of an attempt to assassinate him. The bomb which was intended to have killed him, however, left him unharmed, and injured two peasants.

Mrs. Susie Gulager, daughter of the late George Francis Train, is dead at her home in New York.

It has been decreed by the Panama government that all the consular representatives of nations who have not formally recognized the republic of Panama will be unable to continue official relations with the government until such recognition has taken place.

The secretary of war has directed that permission be granted to the army Young Men's Christian association to establish its work at the various posts of the army in the United States and in the Philippine islands.

Friends of Alton B. Parker claim that as a result of the primaries it is certain that the New York democratic convention will instruct for Judge Parker.

Friends of William R. Hearst claim that the results of the Arkansas primaries are sure to result in a Hearst delegation from that state.

The Oklahoma republican convention has nominated B. S. Maguire for delegate to congress. C. S. Kade was chosen a member of the national committee. The delegates to the national convention were instructed for Roosevelt. The platform points out that the republican party has declared for twelve years for immediate statehood for Oklahoma and indorses the statehood bill reported by the committee on territories.

The Tennessee republican convention has indorsed the Roosevelt administration and instructed for Mr. Roosevelt's nomination. Jesse Littleton was nominated for governor.

J. R. Burton, United States senator from Kansas, appeared before Judge Adams in the federal court of St. Louis and was sentenced to the Iron county, Missouri, jail for the term of six months and a fine of \$2,500. Senator Burton announced that he will appeal the case.

A charter for the Kansas City & Topeka Railway company, capitalized at \$2,500,000, to build a trolley line between those cities, was filed at Topeka.

Former Secretary of the Navy John D. Long will serve as president of the new \$3,000,000 trade school made possible by the will of the late Arloeh Wentworth.

The steel shops, mounting room and offices of the Wehrle Stove Works at Newark, O., burned. Loss, \$100,000.

At a meeting of the directors of the National Bank of Commerce of New York, Harry Payne

Whitney was elected a director to fill the vacancy caused by the death of his father, William C. Whitney.

John A. Whelan, vice president of the St. Louis Advertising Men's League, aged 45, died unexpectedly at his home after an illness of only three days.

Samuel M. Lindsay, commissioner of education of Porto Rico, is in this country making arrangements for 600 Porto Rican teachers to take a normal course in the United States next summer.

The republic of Colombia has not yet filed its appeal against the French court's decision in favor of the sale of the concession of the Panama Canal company to the United States.

Natchez, Miss., was visited by a severe wind storm which almost amounted to a tornado. The wind was accompanied by a terrific rain and hail storm. Part of the city hall was unroofed.

Dissatisfied with the award of a board of arbitration on the wages of thirty-two vampers, 500 employes of the shoe factory of Selz, Schwab & Co., Chicago, struck.

The back water flood still afflicts the people at Glass Ridge in the Wabash bottoms near Vincennes, Ind., and the funerals of three persons, whose deaths are indirectly due to the flood, were conducted in skiffs.

Coal miners at Des Moines have been served with notice that the "open shop" will become effective with their craft after April 15.

In a collision on the Chicago Metropolitan elevated railway two women were fatally hurt and many others injured.

A tornado struck the country five miles west of Calvert, Tex., unroofing the residence of E. S. Peters, president of the Texas Cotton Growers' association, and wrecking a number of houses on his plantation. Great damage was done to crops.

Elihu Root, ex-secretary of war, will represent the Northern Securities company in its fight against E. H. Harriman, who is seeking to obtain control of the Northern Pacific railroad as the result of the distribution of the Northern Securities assets.

The delegates at large chosen from Utah to attend the republican national convention were instructed for Roosevelt.

Dr. Charles Baskerville, professor of chemistry and director of the laboratory in the University of North Carolina, announced before the Chemists' club in New York city his discovery that thorium, hitherto known as one of the seventy primary elements, is complex in its nature.

The four children of Mr. and Mrs. Burke of Sebastopol, Pa., were burned to death in a fire which destroyed their home last Friday.

The English government has long been a stranger to such a chorus of universal approval and congratulation as that exhibited editorially in all the London newspapers because of the happy conclusion of the Anglo-French negotiations for a colonial treaty.

The delegation of deported miners who were driven from Telluride, Colo., to Ouray, returned to their homes, but on hearing of their return the entire military force was ordered out and they were again sent out of the city.

D. Richer, United States district attorney and prominent in republican politics, died suddenly at Salt Lake, aged 65 years.

General Cronje and Commandant Van Dam of Boer war fame, accompanied by 450 Boer soldiers, arrived in St. Louis to participate in the World's fair. After the fair is over they will go to Mexico to live.

An Associated press dispatch, under date of St. Louis, April 8, says: Pass No. 1 to the World's fair grounds for the regular exposition period was made out in the name of Theodore Roosevelt.