

TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

BUSINESS. Yesterday's bank clearings were \$7,611,413.65. Local discount rates were between 5 and 6 per cent. Domestic exchange was quoted as follows: New York, 55 premium bid, 56 premium asked; Chicago, 55 premium bid, 56 premium asked; Cincinnati, Louisville and New Orleans, 55 discount bid, 56 discount asked. Wheat closed higher at 89 3/4c bid July; 89 1/2c No. 2 red, corn closed higher at 47 1/4c bid July; 48 1/4c No. 2 mixed. Oats closed at the bid July; 42 1/4c No. 2 mixed. Spot cotton was unchanged in the local market.

THE DAY IN CONGRESS.

SENATE. The Senate considered the conference reports on many bills, to some of which there was opposition. Speeches were made by Mr. Cullum, Mr. Tyler and Mr. McLaughlin. A resolution authorizing a continuance of the investigation of the matter into the chair of St. Louis and the Missouri Church during vacation was authorized. HOUSE. Many minor bills were passed, the House convening early, the session being technically that of the day before. The greater part of the day was taken up in speeches by various members, the most prominent of which was by Messrs. Littlefield, Clark of Missouri, the Arnold and Baker. Presidential platforms and party policies were under discussion.

WASHINGTON.

General Peter J. Ceterbas of Germany, a Civil War veteran and formerly of St. Louis, will reach Washington to-day. Prince Fu Lun, the nephew of the Emperor of China, who has been entertained in Washington since last Saturday, left last night over the B. & O. R. for St. Louis. He is due in St. Louis at 1 o'clock this afternoon. It is expected that Congress will adjourn to-day. If the appointment of Cram, to be Collector of the Port of Charleston, N. C., is not confirmed by the Senate, the President may call an extra session of that body to do so. Speaker Cannon declared the Coker resolution, asking an investigation of the Dalzell charges, was out of order. The House, by a party vote, sustained his ruling.

WAR IN THE FAR EAST.

A report from St. Petersburg, via Paris, says a Russian submarine boat has destroyed a Japanese transport, all of its 600 men being lost. Japanese have dynamited the Transiberian Railroad not far from Irkutsk, but the damage is not serious. Russians hear that a Cossack division has occupied the town of Anju, Korea, directly on the Japanese line of communication, between Seoul and Wiju, on the Yalu River. Japanese troops which crossed the Yalu near Wiju have attacked a fortified Russian position, supported by two gunboats. The Russians claim a victory.

LOCAL AND SUBURBAN.

Cass Gilbert, the New York architect employed by the Fair, brought suit against the Exposition Company yesterday for \$1,113 balance, which he claims to be due him. Many stores will be closed Saturday, the plan to make Opening Day at the World's Fair a general holiday having received heavy support of business men. Harry B. Hawes withdraws from the gubernatorial race, but will hold his St. Louis delegates.

GENERAL DOMESTIC.

Judge John W. Wofford declares from his bench in Kansas City that Missouri's divorce laws are a disgrace. An Illinois couple that have been twice married and divorced are married for the third time by the same minister. The Smoot investigation committee of the Senate will start to Utah to-day. J. Frank Hanly of Lafayette County was nominated for Governor by the Republican State Convention of Indiana. The Mississippi levee near Louisiana, Mo., is eight miles wide, and the St. bottoms are all under water. The Maine gunners yesterday broke the record for marksmanship. Attorney General Knox replies to the charges of Mr. Williams by saying that no prosecution will be instituted with merger proceedings has been begun, but that the Anthracite Coal Trust is being looked into through the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Jerre Murry of Columbia, Mo., candidate for Attorney General, is seriously sick with pneumonia. It is stated the Pope's orders as to the introduction of Gregorian music into Catholic Churches, and the exclusion of women from choirs, will be carried out gradually. Opponents of Folk in Audrain County practically agreed to a primary for State officers. The Republican Convention of Clinton County, Illinois, was marked by much disorder, and two sets of delegates were elected. The Methodist Missionary Society of New York refuses to accept a bequest of \$70,000, made by the late William Cooper, who was killed in the Ironsides. The members of the Panama Canal Commission arrive at New York, after completing an inspection of the physical features of the canal zone. An Oakland negro holds twenty policemen at bay for ten hours and is finally shot to death. A prominent Utah club woman will not be allowed to address the convention of the National Federation of Women's Clubs because she voted for the election of United States Senator Smoot.

FOREIGN.

The marriage of Captain Sartoris and Mile. Noufflard takes place at Paris. President Roosevelt sending his photograph with his felicitations. In the course of trying to make arrests at Warsaw, Russian officers are attacked and two are killed. Eight ministers at Victoria, B. C., are asphyxiated and two may not recover, as the result of gas escaping from a heater in their dressing-rooms. The German forces in Southwest Africa have suffered losses by death, wounds and sickness to the extent of 62 per cent of the officers and 35 per cent of the men. The Dominican cruiser Presidente attempts to bombard the rebel stronghold at Monte Christi, but is driven away by the forts. Many derisives were killed in the storming of Ilik, Somaliland, by British blue-jackets.

SPORTING.

Arch Oldham won Fair Grounds feature yesterday. Philadelphia Jack O'Brien and Kid Carter battle at the West End Club to-night. Hamakits may win the fourth race at the Fair grounds. Marine Intelligence. New York, April 27.—Arrived: Oceanic and Civic, from Liverpool; Barbosca, from Bremen; Lombardia, from Genoa. New York, April 27.—Sailed: Mafsen, Liverpool; Helligovik, Christiansand and Copenhagen. Queenstown, April 27.—Sailed: Ivernia (from Liverpool), Boston. Antwerp, April 27.—Arrived: Rhynland, Philadelphia. Hamburg, April 24.—Sailed: Hather, San Francisco.

MISSISSIPPI RIVER EIGHT MILES WIDE

Shut Bottoms Below Louisiana Are Completely Under Water.

WHEAT LANDS ARE RUINED.

Stage Is Now Fifteen Feet Nine Inches—Further Rise of at Least Two Feet Is Expected.

SLIGHT RISE AT NEW HAVEN.

Danger of Flood from the Missouri No Longer Threatened.

LEVEE EXPECTED TO BREAK.

Protection Against Flood Near Commerce Is in Danger.

STATIONARY AT JEFFERSON CITY.

Rise of the Day Is But Two-Tenths of a Foot—Danger in Past.

SAYS STATE'S DIVORCE LAWS ARE A DISGRACE.

Judge Wofford of Kansas City Says Separation and Whisky Will Rain Any Man.

WOMAN CHARGES HUSBAND WITH BEING BIGAMIST.

Mrs. Nina King Asserts That He Recently Married Without Being Divorced.

SPRINGFIELD HAS CLOSE CALL.

Fire in Livery Barn Threatened to Destroy Business Section.

REFUSES \$70,000 BEQUEST.

Methodist Missionary Society Does Not Explain Its Action.

GOES TO ATLANTIC CITY.

Senator Stone In No Hurry to Return to Missouri.

FLOOD SPENDS ITSELF UPON UPPER RIVER FARMLANDS.

Waters Will Reach Crest To-Day and Begin to Decline Without Further Damage to East Side Cities—Levee Break at Mitchell Saves Much Property by Lessening Strain on Dikes.

RAILROADS ARE AGAIN PREPARED TO RECEIVE FREIGHT.



—By a Republic Photographer. MAIN STREET IN VENICE. The water is up to the floors of houses on this street. In other parts of the village many houses and houseboats are submerged.

Almost as quickly as it rose, the Mississippi promises to subside, averting the threatened disaster to the whole East Side. According to the weather officials, the worst of the flood is over, and the river will come to a standstill to-day, and then begin to fall.

CITY OF VENICE PRACTICALLY DESERTED.

Venice is practically a deserted city. Fifty fifty families have remained in the city. The others have hauled and carried their household furniture, either to railroad cars or in wagons, to the bluffs at Alton and toward Edwardsville.

WATER INCONVENIENCES ALTON INDIANITIES.

The Mississippi River at Alton continued to rise yesterday, and at 6 o'clock last night showed a total rise of 13 feet during the twenty-four hours preceding. It is expected, however, that by noon to-day the river will show a decline and that further danger will have been averted.

LIVED TOGETHER 26 YEARS.

Barbara Keating Said Husband Then Deserted Her.

EAST ST. LOUIS PREPARED FOR FLOOD.

As result of unceasing activity the officials of East St. Louis feel confident that should the flood continue to increase they can successfully resist it.

FINDS \$210,000 IN MEXICAN COPPER POTS.

Fortune in Gold Discovered Near Boxy Depot, I. T., by Persons Who Have Disappeared.

FILE AMENDED BILL.

Trenton, N. J., April 27.—An amended bill of complaint, making the Northern Pacific Railway Company party defendant, was filed in the United States Circuit Court here to-day in the suit brought by E. H. Barringer, of Southern Illinois, to restrain the proposed plan of distributions decided on by the directors of the Northern Pacific Company, in the carrying out of the decision of the United States Supreme Court, holding the Securities Company to be an illegal combination.

DUQUENOIS, ILL. PLANS IMPROVEMENTS.

Warrensburg Street Paving. Warrensburg, Mo., April 27.—At a meeting of the Board of Public Works of Warrensburg, Mo., held at the City Hotel, the following resolutions were adopted: That the City Engineer be and he is authorized to contract for the paving of Warrensburg street.

BARNES MEDICAL COLLEGE GRADUATES MANY STUDENTS.

Nearly 100 students of the Barnes Medical College received diplomas at the commencement exercises of that institution, held at the Young Men's Christian Association Hall, at Grand and Franklin avenues, last night.

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Scruggs Vandervoort & Barney Opening Exhibit Thursday, April Twenty-Eighth Second Floor Women's Summer Apparel The Newest Ideas American and Foreign Gowns of Tulle, Crepe de Chine, Silk, Organdie, Swiss, Lace and Net Shirt-Waist Suits of Linen, Lawn, Silk and Mohair Coats of Linen, Pongee, Taffetas and Lace Separate Skirts of Silk, Mohair and Crepe de Chine.

CHAS. REILLY OPTICAL CO., 619 Locust St. SOLID GOLD Spring Rimless Eyeglasses, \$2.50 value, at \$1.00. EYES EXAMINED FREE by Dr. Chas. Reilly, for many years in charge of the Optical Department of the JACARD JEWELRY CO.

IOWA CONVENTION LIKELY WILL SPLIT. Contesting Hearst and Anti-Hearst Delegations May Be Sent to St. Louis.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL. Sioux City, Ia., April 27.—As a result of a conference of a number of Democratic leaders in Des Moines to-day, there is every indication that the Democratic State Convention for Iowa, which will be held next Wednesday, will split and that a rump convention will be held and a contesting delegation named to the National Convention by the defeated faction.

FOLK'S OPPONENTS AGREE TO PRIMARY IN AUDRAIN. Cause Held in Mexico Is Followed by Announcement That Committee Will Reconsider Action.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL. Mexico, Mo., April 27.—Opponents of J. W. Folk in Audrain County to-day virtually agreed to ask the Audrain Central Committee to meet Friday and call a primary for Governor and Secretary of State, to be held at the time of the county Democratic primary, May 7.

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