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THE WEATHER  
Fair; Warm

## "TOURIST" CLAIM OF THAW THROWN OUT; HEARING ADJOURNED

Prisoner's Contention of Immunity by Reason of Alleged Ticket to Detroit Rejected.

### PASSING THROUGH DOMINION

Recalled to Stand and Questioned as to His Family History.

### PROHIBITION WRIT REFUSED

Dutchess County Sheriff Joins the New York Party.

### FUGITIVE IS FIRST WITNESS

Fells of His Entrance into Canada After His Sensational Escape from the Matteawan Hospital.

COATICOOK, Quebec, Sept. 4.—The claim of Harry K. Thaw that he was a tourist passing through Canada with transportation to Detroit and therefore entitled to immunity from molestation by the authorities was thrown out late today by the special board of inquiry, authorized by the immigration officials to pass on his case.

At 6:30 o'clock, shortly after Thaw was recalled to the stand and questioned as to his family history, the hearing was adjourned until 9:30 tomorrow morning.

### WRIT REFUSED

Counsel for New York state announced this afternoon that Judge Hutchinson at Sherbrooke had refused to grant La Flamme of Thaw's counsel a writ of prohibition.

Sheriff Hornbeck, of Dutchess county, New York, who waited for more than a week in vain in Sherbrooke, joined the New York party here today, preparatory to the seizure of Thaw on American soil. It is present plans don't miscarry Thaw will set foot in the United States again not far from Norton Mills, Vt., about nine miles from here.

The board assembled at 9:15 and sent out for a Bible to swear witnesses.

"It may last half an hour, it may last a week," said the chairman as he went upstairs.

Jerome and Dr. Kieb came down and stood in front of the station. La Flamme, of Thaw's counsel, did not put in an appearance, and it was said he had left town suddenly.

### Thaw First Witness.

The first person examined was Thaw himself. He was questioned as to his entrance into Canada. Thaw said he had boarded a train at Rochester, N. H., and his objective point was Pittsburgh. He bought several tickets, he said, in that route was uncertain. He told of hiring two farmers to drive him here after leaving the train. Thaw was sworn before he testified.

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## Lieutenant Love of the Signal Corps is Killed by a Fall

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Sept. 4.—First Lieutenant Moss L. Love, signal corps, U. S. A., was instantly killed today when his aeroplane plunged 500 feet to the ground as the army aviation school near here shortly before the machine began to descend from an altitude of approximately 20,000 feet. When 500 feet from the ground watchers saw a puff of smoke on the machine and it dropped like a shot.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4.—Eleven aviators have been killed in the army aviation service since experiments were started with heavier-than-air machines in 1909—ten in the army and one in the navy. In aviation the world over, 233 persons have been killed since 1908, 113 during the present year. Love was a native of Virginia.

## The Weather

Forecast till 7 p. m. Friday:  
For Omaha, Council Bluffs and vicinity—Fair and continued warm tonight and Friday.

### Temperature at Omaha Yesterday.

8 a. m.	68
9 a. m.	68
10 a. m.	68
11 a. m.	68
12 m.	68
1 p. m.	68
2 p. m.	68
3 p. m.	68
4 p. m.	68
5 p. m.	68
6 p. m.	68
7 p. m.	68
8 p. m.	68

### Comparative Local Records.

1913	1912	1911	1910
Highest yesterday	100	99	75
Lowest yesterday	75	79	48
Mean temperature	88	82	80
Precipitation	.00	.00	.02
Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal:			
Normal temperature	79		
Excess for the day	21		
Total excess since March 1	199		
Normal precipitation	.00		
Deficiency for the day	.00		
Total rainfall since March 1	1.11		
Deficiency since March 1	4.40		
Deficiency for cor. period, 1913	5.69		
Deficiency for cor. period, 1912	12.15		

Reports from Stations at 7 p. m.

Station and State of Weather	Temp.	Hgh.	Rain.
Omaha, clear	74	89	.00
Des Moines, clear	74	89	.00
Sioux Falls, clear	74	89	.00
Lincoln, clear	74	89	.00
St. Louis, clear	74	89	.00
Chicago, clear	74	89	.00
Portland, Me., clear	74	89	.00
Boston, clear	74	89	.00
Washington, D. C., clear	74	89	.00
San Francisco, clear	74	89	.00
Los Angeles, clear	74	89	.00
San Diego, clear	74	89	.00
Albany, N. Y., clear	74	89	.00
Portland, Ore., clear	74	89	.00
Seattle, clear	74	89	.00
Portland, Ind., clear	74	89	.00
Indianapolis, clear	74	89	.00
Cincinnati, clear	74	89	.00
Columbus, clear	74	89	.00
Richmond, clear	74	89	.00
St. Paul, Minn., clear	74	89	.00
St. Peter, Minn., clear	74	89	.00
Sioux City, clear	74	89	.00
Valentine, clear	74	89	.00

T indicates trace of precipitation.  
L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

## MURDER SUSPECT ARRESTED

Police Think They Have Man Guilty of Fremont Double Murder.

### MOTHER AND HER BABE KILLED

Bodies of Mrs. Rasmus Peterson and Two-Year-Old Child Found by Neighbors in a Horribly Mutilated Condition.

Joe Waters, colored, was arrested yesterday by South Omaha police under suspicion of knowing something about the murder of Mrs. Rasmus Peterson and her 2-year-old daughter at Fremont Wednesday night. Waters had fallen from the top of a freight train as it was pulling into the yards and the arrest followed when the police were summoned to give him medical attention and a miniature savings bank belonging to Mrs. Peterson was found in his pocket. He died at 3 o'clock at the hospital from a broken neck, caused by his fall.

When asked what he knew about the murder Waters denied that he had heard anything of it and explained his possession of the bank by telling that he had found it alongside of the railroad track in the Fremont yards. His story, however, was not given much credence by the authorities and he was held under heavy guard at the South Omaha hospital.

The mutilated bodies of Mrs. Rasmus Peterson and 2-year-old daughter were found at their home by neighbors early Thursday morning.

The woman had been choked and beaten to death and the child's skull was crushed into a pulp. Nearby the two bodies lay a heavy iron poker besmeared with blood and clearly the instrument with which the murder was committed.

Husband is Suspected.  
Suspicion at Fremont points strongly to the husband. He is a Dane, about 30 years old, a laborer. The neighbors say he was in the habit of pounding and abusing his wife. He had threatened several times to kill her and at least once she had appealed to the police for protection. She supported herself and child by doing washing and he was in the habit of being away for long periods of time.

About two weeks ago he left, saying he was going to Minnesota and on August 25th she said by a neighbor to have heard from him at Minneapolis. For the last few days she had been much frightened and told her neighbors that she was afraid that Peterson was back and that he would kill her, as he had threatened.

It is reported that he was seen around the saloons Wednesday evening, but the rumor so far cannot be substantiated. The little three-room cottage, meagerly furnished, presented a horrible scene Thursday. From the bed clothing it looked as though a struggle may have occurred. Mrs. Peterson's body lay at the side of the bed, with the blood dripping through the mattress to the floor. The child lay in the bed back of the mother. Blood hounds were at once placed on the trail and started towards the south. They lost the trail at Rochester, N. H., and his objective point was Pittsburgh. He bought several tickets, he said, in that route was uncertain. He told of hiring two farmers to drive him here after leaving the train. Thaw was sworn before he testified.

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## Farmers Fix the Price of Cotton at Fifteen Cents

SALINA, Kan., Sept. 4.—The high cost of living will be higher as a result of the action of the National Farmers' union here today in fixing the price at which members will sell this year's cotton crop at 15 cents a pound. The present price is about 12 cents.

The action binds every member of the union to hold his cotton until the market reaches the figure set. Similar resolutions have failed of passage at previous conventions.

This year there was no opposition to the plan. Several of the leading cotton growers wanted the minimum figures fixed at 17 or 18 cents, pointing out that, owing to the lightness of the money market and the unsettled conditions in Europe and this country, prices of all products would soar and cotton would bring that price if the members of the union held out.

## Fire Chiefs See Motor Pump Test

NEW YORK, Sept. 4.—After having seen eleven motor fire engine pumps discharging 600 gallons of water out of the Hudson river yesterday in an all-day efficiency test, the 1,300 fire chiefs and department officials from all parts of the world in convention here voted approval generally today of the new era of motor apparatus. The pumping incidentally furnished a fine spectacle for thousands of persons who lined Riverside drive to watch the test.

Meanwhile the "fire women" had their time at a luncheon, where many were moved to tears by an address of Mrs. F. Frederick Gooderson, wife of a New York deputy chief. "We hear a great many wonderful stories of our men," she said, "and we fire women know that they are true. But are there any stories of the women who wait and wait at home and sometimes wait in vain for their heroes to return?"

"We women know better than anyone else the meaning of the dread alarm, when we see people running gleefully after the fire engines. We wonder how many women of the outside world ever realize how the women of the fire department feel."

## BARRISTERS WILL BE ADRESSED ON CHARTER

The regular weekly meeting of the barristers will be held Saturday noon at the University club. Victor Rosewater, editor of The Bee, will address the assembly on the city charter.

## OMAHA WILL VISIT STATE FAIR TODAY

Management Looking for Big Crowd of Douglas County People at the Show.

### FINE RACING IS FEATURE

Some of Fastest Horses on Card Will Go During Day.

### DOUGLAS AGAIN WINS PRIZE

Takes First in Eastern Division Collective Exhibit.

### BABY SHOW IS FINE CARD

Nemaha County Wins First Prize in Collective Exhibit for Fruit Display—Arlington Men Get Individual Prize.

### ATTENDANCE FIGURES.

Monday	1913	1912
Tuesday	12,488	13,514
Wednesday	30,737	33,179
Thursday	36,531	39,383

(From a Staff Correspondent.)  
LINCOLN, Sept. 4.—(Special Telegram.)—A falling off in the attendance at the state fair today over that of Thursday of last year of possibly 10,000 or more gives little hope that the attendance of last year will be anywhere near reached.

Thursday of previous years have come nearer being an even attendance than any other day of the fair, the attendance in 1908 being 33,621; 1909, 31,188; 1910, 35,308; 1911, 30,811, and 1912, 33,808. It is also possible that the attendance for the week will fall below the 100,000 mark for the first time in five years. This, of course, is due to the dry weather, which has hit the state in the south and southeastern portions, where the fair has in former years drawn largely.

Rural School Conference.  
Friday is Omaha and South Omaha day, and it will be left to those two cities to lift the attendance record above that of last year, which was 15,475. It is expected that a large crowd will be present, for reports to the fair management indicate that these two cities will cut losses with a large crowd and the day bids fair to be the most lively of the week.

The races today were pulled off in the same characteristic way which has marked the track events during the week. Past time has been made in most of the events. Tomorrow will show some fast work on the track. Being Omaha day some of the best events have been saved for the visitor. Among them is the 1-2-3 pace, in which four of the fastest horses entered for the races will start. This race is for a purse of \$600 and is one of the features of the racing program. There will be half a dozen other races including two running races.

Today to Be Lively.  
Today was to a certain extent educational day, the rural school conference holding the stage in the auditorium a portion of the day. Secretary Campbell of Clarke presided and Prof. Charles E. Bessey was the first and principal speaker. Prof. Bessey contended that a certain amount of knowledge necessary to the development of the scholar could not be received in the grade school of the country.

Entrance to high schools, he says, depends upon a proper education and until that education has been received the student cannot receive proper training for the university. State Superintendent Delsell deplored the fact that there was a lack of funds for the proper education of children, saying that there was plenty of districts where there were only five or ten scholars and the districts could not afford teachers for the children.

Although the fair is supposed to close at 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, the usual evening program will be given in front of the grandstand and the fireworks will be the same as on other nights.

Baby Show Popular.  
Take it all around, the most popular place around the fair grounds seemingly is the northwest corner of the partially completed new agricultural hall, where the Better Babies contest is going on. There is always a crowd about the place for somebody a baby, and if it is a good natured one, always is an attraction.

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## Letter Carriers Choose Omaha for Next Convention

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 4.—The National Association of Letter Carriers chooses Omaha today as the site of their next convention in 1914. The vote stood: Omaha, 79; Dallas, 74; Dayton, O., 37. When the result was announced the workers for Dallas extended their congratulatory to Omaha.

## The National Capital

Thursday, September 4, 1913.

The Senate.  
Senator Weeks introduced resolution to defer trial action on currency legislation until 11 member term of congress.

Banking committee resumed its hearing of bankers.

West Virginia coal strike investigating committee continued to hear operators stories.

Senator Bristow, discussing Mexican situation, declared constitutionalists should be permitted to buy arms and ammunition in United States.

President Wilson submitted nominations of Thomas H. Birk as minister to Portugal and Charles J. Yocella as minister to Balkan states.

Adjourned at 5:50 p. m. to 3 p. m. Friday.

The House.  
Began consideration of urgent deficiency bill for United States.

Representative Linderberg proposed amendment to the currency bill to permit federal reserve banks to operate on 50 per cent of their required \$3,000,000 capital, held in gold.

Representative Kent introduced bill for resolution for appointment of a commission to recommend plan for government owned extensive factory.

Adjourned at 8 p. m. to noon Friday.

## Hurry, You Belated Stragglers!



Drawn for The Bee by Powell.

## TROUBLE ALONG PAINT CREEK

Mine Operators Say More Disorder Exists Than Ever Before.

### SENSATIONAL STORY OF GUARD

W. W. Phaup Says He Was Shot Three Times and His Coat Was Cut Up for Souvenirs by the Rioters.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4.—More lawlessness and disorder exists today along Paint Creek, W. Va., than at any other period of its history, according to today's testimony of Walter S. Woods, general manager of the Standard Split Coal company, on that creek, before the senate investigating committee. The lawlessness, he said, when pressed by the committee, consisted of general disorder among the miners.

"The more radical ones" were stirring up trouble with those who remained at work, he declared.

"The worst of it is there is no one to stop it," said he. "There is not a guard or a special officer or anybody else to represent the law on the lower end of the creek now, except one justice of the peace, and he was one of the leaders of the strike and is a socialist."

Senator Kenyon inquired if the trouble was due to drink.

"Largely," replied Woods.

"They are more radical after the bottles are opened," suggested Seymour Steedman, attorney for the United Mine Workers.

Battles between the Paint creek strikers and guards were described by W. W. Phaup, in charge of the guards. The climax of his story was an account of being left for dead after an encounter on July 23, 1912. His coat, he said, pierced with bullet holes, was cut up at a miners' meeting and pieces were worn on coat lapels as souvenirs. He first told of 300 shots pouring down on his six men on May 23, 1912, as they were on their way to breakfast, without arms. He then decided that a machine gun was necessary if the guards were to be protected against men hidden in the mountain foliage.

### Shot Three Times.

He told of being shot off a handcar at Holly grove and his companion being killed. As he revived, he said, he heard one striker say:

"Don't shoot any more; that's good enough." Phaup dragged himself to a hospital two miles away with his arm broken by a bullet, another bullet buried below his shoulder blade and a bullet wound in his chest.

"The doctor at the hospital was a friend of trouble and put out the report that I had died on the operating table," said Phaup. "I lost my coat on the way to the hospital and the next Sunday when Mother Jones made a speech she exhibited it and said it was decorated to suit her. The miners hung it on a fence and then cut it up into little pieces to wear on their coats as souvenirs."

## Student Has Back Broken by Fall

ASHLAND, Wis., Sept. 4.—Shepherd D. Tyler, university student and sailor, lies at a hospital here with a broken back. He is not expected to live.

The young man, who is making his way through the University of Ohio by working as a deck hand, fell through an open hatch on the steamer Joseph Wood yesterday. Hospital authorities wired his mother at Huron, O., and a sister at Wausau, Wis. Both are expected here today.

The injured youth said: "I am 19 years old and I was soon to be through school down in Ohio, so that I might help my mother and give my kid brother an education. I am sorry they wired mother, because I did not want her to know."

## Shenandoah Class in Agriculture Consists of Girls

—My dear Kitty, what kind of a frock are you going to wear to the wheat drilling next week?"

This does not refer to a new variety of social function invented by an enterprising hostess. It was overheard in the conversation of one Shenandoah high school girl to another, after a dozen or so of the girls had commenced the study of agriculture. And there isn't a mere review in regard to the amazing state of affairs in the new department, laughed and said, "It's all very simple. The farm boys who will take the course have not yet enrolled. They will come in a few weeks late. As for the girls, they expect to teach, and the new Iowa law requires that agriculture be taught in the country schools."

When W. D. Meltzer, who was graduated last year from the Iowa State Agricultural college at Ames, came to take charge of the agricultural department, which was established in the Shenandoah high school this year, he arranged a strenuous program of courses, including long hikes to distant farms, animal studies actual work in the fields, etc., designed to keep the most energetic young lad on the jump. Then he looked over the enrollment list. He was puzzled. He looked again, and consternation spread over his face. Every name on the list had a perfectly bona fide "Miss" in front of it.

Prof. Meltzer has been at work revising his course ever since, and although he has all due admiration for the fair sex, and the charming vagaries thereof, he appreciates not a whit the gibes of his fellow instructors concerning his feminine agricultural class.

Superintendent A. H. Speer, when interviewed in regard to the amazing state of affairs in the new department, laughed and said, "It's all very simple. The farm boys who will take the course have not yet enrolled. They will come in a few weeks late. As for the girls, they expect to teach, and the new Iowa law requires that agriculture be taught in the country schools."

## Girl Killed in an Auto Accident on the Mountainside

LONGMONT, Colo., Sept. 4.—One person was killed and five more or less seriously injured last night when a big passenger automobile, beyond control sped down a steep mountain road near Lyons and was guided into the mountain side to prevent its plunging over a steep embankment.

The dead:

ANNIE MARIE JACKSON, aged 14 years, Denver.

The automobile carried thirteen persons on its usual trip from Estes Park to Boulder. As Chaffeur Wolcott started down a steep stretch of road seven miles from Lyons the brakes failed to work. Unable to stop the machine Wolcott guided it into the mountain side, the impact causing it to overturn. The seven other occupants of the car escaped unhurt.

The injured included Mrs. C. D. Cornell of Lincoln, Neb., both of whose ankles were severely sprained.

## Equity Suit to Curb Jewelry Combine is Settled Out of Court

NEW YORK, Sept. 4.—A suit in equity to obtain from the federal court an injunction under the Sherman law against the so-called "jewelry combine," to curb the activities of the middleman or jobber, was prepared for filing today by United States District Attorney Marshall. Attorneys for the jewelry manufacturers and wholesalers, it was said, have consented to a friendly settlement of the question.

## CHANGE LAND DRAWING PLAN

Government Probably to Make Different Rules for Nebraska Land.

### KINCAID INTRODUCES MEASURE

Free-for-All Plan is Favored and the Scheme Now is to Draw, as Was Done on the Rosebud Agency.

A hitch has appeared in the opening of that portion of the national forest reserve in Grant and McPherson counties, Nebraska, to settlement, as proposed by the secretary of the interior.

Under the plans contemplated for the opening and settlement of the 244,000 acres a free-for-all rush was proposed and the first man on the ground should have the choice location. As a result, a number of sooner have taken up their residence on the tract, selecting the choice locations. The secretary of the interior had been apprised of this fact, as had the Nebraska delegation in congress.

All agreed that the free-for-all plan would result in serious contentions over locations and that possible blood shed might follow. In order to obviate anything of the kind, at the suggestion of the secretary of the interior and the head of the general land office, Congressman Kincaid has introduced a bill in the house of representatives providing that the lottery plan, similar to the one adopted at the opening of the Hogback Indian reservation some years ago shall be in force.

Congressman Kincaid writes to the homeeseekers department of the Burlington that in congress there is no opposition to his bill, and that it will probably be passed at the extra session, and that it is likely to become a law, so that the land will go on the market late in October or early in November of this year. In this event, the drawings for the lands would occur not much later than December 1.

Under the plan proposed by Congressman Kincaid, the 244,000 acres will be divided up into tracts of 60 acres each. A certain date will be set for receiving applications for the lands, either at the land office at Valentine or Broken Bow, and after the applications are all in, a drawing will occur, the first number drawn giving the holder the right to select any section of the entire area, and so on until numbers are drawn for all of the tracts.

The land of the reserve will go onto the market under the provisions of the old Kincaid law, a residence of four months being required before title can be acquired.

## Judge Gives an Expert Opinion on Sliding Art

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 4.—Superior Judge Graham, who used to be president of the Pacific Coast Base Ball League, knows how the game should be played. Yesterday, in allowing Mrs. Doretta Yeall \$500 of an inheritance fund to pay a doctor's bill incurred for her son, Laurence, who broke his arm three times playing ball, the judge said: "The trouble with Laurence is that he slides hands first for the home plate. You want to instruct him to slide feet first and there won