

Pickford Freed of All Blame

Police Commissioner Says Olive Thomas Died of Accidental Mercurial Poisoning After Probe.

Husband Near Collapse

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Paris, Sept. 12.—"Accidental death by mercurial poisoning" was the verdict at Neuilly of Police Commissioner Carrou, after an investigation of the circumstances of the death of Olive Thomas Pickford, which he insisted should be conducted before he would grant a death certificate.

Jack Pickford, husband of the cinema star, is on the verge of a nervous breakdown. Haggard, nervous, and at times almost incoherent, he insists to his friends that he did nothing which could have led to his wife's death. He says he was sitting at his desk when he noticed a bottle which he had just bought and which he had just opened, and that he simply grasped the wrong bottle when reaching for her medicine.

It was stated here today that American life insurance companies had cabled to the French authorities, for full particulars of the affair.

Pickford had planned to sail for America today on the Aquitania with his wife's body, but was ordered to attend an autopsy at the morgue on Monday. It is probable that he will sail next Saturday on the Mauretania.

Noted Merchant to Address Ad League At First Meeting

Paul Findlay of Los Angeles, a noted grocer of national reputation, will talk to the Advertising-Selling League this evening at 8 o'clock at its opening meeting at the Chamber of Commerce.

"The Present High Cost of Business" will be his theme. Although he will dwell on the retailing of perishable foods and fruits to some extent, his principles will be of general interest to advertisers and retailers in any line.

His practical talk is accompanied by blackboard figures, which give the theory and practice of margin computation, and therefore is of interest to the clothing and grocery merchants, hardware and shoe men, in short, to every line of business.

During the last 20 months Findlay has traveled nearly 60,000 miles into all the big marketing centers of the country, investigating and gathering the best, most practical and most effective ways of advertising, displaying, pricing and selling merchandise at retail.

Findlay is an old-time retailer himself, having spent over 30 years behind the counter, and knowing merchants' problems intimately, as a result of his own hard knocks. For many years he has used his experience as a background for authoritative articles in the trade press of the United States and Canada.

The Omaha retail grocers will be the guests of the Advertising-Selling League at this meeting.

Large Quantities of Coal Rushed to West By Lake Steamships

Chicago Tribune—Omaha Bee Leased Wire.
Washington, Sept. 12.—Coal is being rushed to the northwest by lake vessels from Ohio ports at a rate which promises to avert the threatened shortage in the states at the head of the Great Lakes next winter. This is indicated by a weekly report of the geological survey on coal production.

It is shown that in the week ending September 4 the coal dumped at Lake Erie ports totaled 1,074,736 tons, of which 1,035,372 tons were cargo coal and 39,364 tons were steam coal. This total was 16 per cent less than the preceding week, yet it was twice as great as the quantity dumped in the corresponding week of 1919 and but little less than that of 1918. It was twice as great as shipments during some of the weeks early in this season when the traffic congestion caused a situation, which resulted in the issuance of priority orders by the Interstate Commerce commission to insure a supply of coal for the northwest.

Woman Causes Arrest of "Doctor," Charge No License

W. P. Custard, 623 North Twentieth street, was arrested Saturday night on a charge of practicing medicine without a license.

Mrs. Julia Skripsky, Twentieth and Q streets, swore out the warrant for "Dr." Custard's arrest. The "doctor" is alleged to have charged Joseph Skripsky, her husband, \$500 for treating a cancer.

Custard was released on a \$500 bond pending his trial.

Decrease in California Peach Crop Is Predicted

Fresno, Cal., Sept. 12.—The California Peach growers' association will not receive any further orders for the present season's crop, A. L. Sturtevant, jr., sales manager, announced here, because the present crop, from latest indications, will show a decrease of 11,000 tons, or 24,000 tons total, compared with 35,000 tons last year.

Cholera Epidemic in Korea

Tokyo, Sept. 12.—Fifteen thousand cholera cases have been reported officially from Korea, with 6,000 deaths, in the present epidemic.

Hunt Is Made for Later Will of Neal

Friends Certain Reynolds Company Manager Changed Bequests of Document Offered for Probate—Youthful Omaha Heiress Left in Quandry.

The will of the late John Neal, millionaire Omaha tobacco man, was offered for probate in the superior court of Winston-Salem, N. C., Saturday.

Franklin A. Shotwell of Omaha, co-executor of the will, with the Wachovia bank, was present. Mr. Shotwell was in conference there Saturday with officials of the bank, which is executor of a fifth of the estate.

The will is attracting wide interest in Winston-Salem and the vicinity, according to reports from there. It provides that more than half a million dollars be placed in perpetual trust, income from which is to be divided equally between the Methodist Children's home there and the Masonic orphanage at Oxford, N. C. It is the largest individual charity left on record in North Carolina, reports state.

It was at the Masonic orphanage at Oxford that Mr. Neal spent his younger days, and when he left there he was furnished highest recommendations. He went to Winston-Salem to complete a high school course, and he attended the Old Salem boys' school. He worked for the R. J. Reynolds company in the summers while attending school, dispatches from Winston-Salem state.

Wally Shepard Now Champion Omaha Golfer

Happy Hollow Star Wins First Flight in City Tournament At Field Club With Score of 324.

Wally Shepard of Happy Hollow club, won the city golf-championship yesterday at the Omaha Field club when he shot an 81 in the morning round. He duplicated his score in the afternoon session.

Sam Reynolds of the Field club was second; W. J. Fove of the Omaha Country club was third; Jack Hughes of the Field club, fourth, and Fred Vitte of the Field club fifth.

The result of the tournament might have been a bit different if Sam Reynolds, Field club star, had not "fallen down" coming in on his afternoon round yesterday. Reynolds came in at 42 while Shepard negotiated the inside 37.

Shepard shot four 81s in the tournament. He shot the Happy Hollow course in 81 in both the morning and afternoon rounds qualifying day, September 5, and duplicated his score yesterday.

Reynolds qualified with a score of 164 and shot a 79 and an 83 yesterday for a total of 326.

W. J. Fove who ranked third, shot a 34 and Jack Hughes, who placed fourth, shot a 38.

In the second flight, Phil Kendall of Miller park, shooting a 352 won first place, and Douglas Peters of Happy Hollow with a 361 won second.

A. O. Nichols of the Field club won the third flight with a 372 and J. H. Conrad of Happy Hollow was second with 380.

Olson Will Appeal Attempted Murder Verdict at Fremont

Fremont, Neb., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—John Olson, convicted of the attempted murder of Harm B. Lueken, May 12, announced that he would appeal the case. Within a week a motion for a new trial will be filed.

No trial in the history of Dodge county attracted so much local attention. Farmers who had been neighbors of the Luekens when they lived in Maple township, let their machines stand idle in the field while they crowded the court room to follow the testimony.

Members of the Lueken family refused to make any comment upon the conviction of Olson on the filing of the attention suit by his wife against Mrs. Sophie Lueken.

Coal Heaver Arrested

After consuming one-half bottle of "Tom's Gilt Edge" 45 per cent "lemon extract," Jack Taylor, a coal heaver of Sioux City, Ia., was arrested Saturday night for being intoxicated at the Union station.

Police found three and one-half bottles of lemon extract on Taylor and a ticket to Sioux City, Ia.

The New Constitution

(The Bee continues today its explanation of the various amendments to the state constitution, proposed by the state constitutional convention, at a special election to a vote of the people at a special election in November. The most important is in many respects the most important held in Nebraska in a generation, a public interest and for the prevention of a "clear understanding of the various proposals submitted. There are at present and each is submitted for separate vote.)

Proposition No. 37.
Authorizes legislation regulating hours of employment for women and children and providing for a minimum wage for such.

Proposition No. 38.
Authorizes legislation "for the investigation, submission and determination of controversies between employers and employees in any business or vocation affected with a public interest and for the prevention of unfair business practices and unconscionable gains in any business or vocation affecting the public welfare." Authorizes the creation of an industrial commission.

Oil Supply For World In Mexico

Shortage in United States Gives Emphasis of Importance of Peace in Near Future.

Imports Show Increase

By ARTHUR SEARS HENNING.
Chicago Tribune—Omaha Bee Leased Wire.
Washington, Sept. 12.—A peaceful and orderly Mexico would produce more oil than is now produced in the entire world, according to a review of the Mexican petroleum industry, issued by the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce.

With the oil supply of the United States down to exhaustion in 20 years, and Great Britain and France annexing overseas fields capable of producing for 200 years, new emphasis is given the importance to America of peace in Mexico and full development of the \$300,000,000 Mexican oil properties, 73 per cent of which are owned by American interests, 21 per cent by British, 4 per cent by Dutch and 2 per cent by Spanish-Mexican capital.

Imports of oil from Mexico into the United States in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1920, showed an increase of more than 100 per cent over the imports of 1918. The June, 1920, imports of Mexican oil into the United States amounted to 340,197,600 gallons, or slightly more than 8,000,000 barrels.

Increase in Consumption.

"The nations are interested as never before in the oil supply of the world," says the review. "The enormous oil requirements of the war period have not lessened under peace conditions; in fact, the consumption of oil in the industrial world threatens to overtake production. The development of the oil resources of the world promises to be one of the most important activities of the reconstruction period. The United States contributes approximately two-thirds of the oil supply of the world, but 40 per cent of the producing fields in this country have become exhausted, and it is estimated that the oil reserves of the United States will not last longer than 20 to 25 years. Already the country consumes more oil than it produces."

Large Production.

"The world's actual production of oil in 1918 was about 515,000,000 barrels," continues the statement. "The potential production of Mexico during 1919 was 547,000,000 barrels. By the term 'potential production' is meant the amount of oil that would be produced if each well were permitted to flow without any restraint. In 1919 Mexico was potentially able to produce 32,000,000 barrels more oil than was actually produced in all other countries in 1918, and 170,000,000 barrels more than the United States production of 377,000,000 barrels in 1919."

Development of Resources.

"The application of new legislation to the industry, the effect of which it has not been possible to fully ascertain, has tended to hasten development operations. Yet, the exports of oil from Mexico in the first half of 1920 show a notable increase over the shipments in previous years."

Investment in Mexico.

It is stated that of the investment in the oil industry in Mexico, 97 per cent is held by foreigners. This is in contrast to the petroleum industry of the United States, of which but 4 per cent of the total amount invested is foreign capital.

Packers File Reply To Wholesale Grocers

Chicago Tribune—Omaha Bee Leased Wire.
Washington, Sept. 12.—Replying to a complaint of the National Wholesale Grocers' association, the Armour, Morris, Wilson and Swift Packing companies, in a brief filed with the Interstate Commerce commission, declare it would be contrary to the public interest to require the removal of butter, oleomargarine, cheese and lard from the packers' private refrigerator cars.

The grocers, in a case instituted against the packing companies, charge that the entering of the decree under which the packers agreed to give up the handling of grocery lines, sought to prevent them from obtaining preferred transportation service through the use of the so-called packers' peddler cars. Since the entering of the decree, grocers have sought to have commodities still handled by the packers other than meats barred from these cars.

McCook "Americanization" Night School to Open Soon

McCook, Neb., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—McCook's school, under Rev. Ferdinand Sattler, will reopen next Tuesday evening. Regular sessions will be held on Tuesday and Friday evenings. Americanization, the American language and the common branches are taught for foreign-speaking people of this city free, and a splendid work is being accomplished especially among German-Russian population.

3,000 Attend Cornerstone Laying at Ainsworth, N. B.

Ainsworth, Neb., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—It is estimated there were 3,000 Ainsworth visitors in attendance at the laying of the cornerstone of the Brown county hospital Saturday afternoon.

The address was given by Rev. H. VanValkenburg, formerly of this city. Knight Templars and Masons from Valentine, Wood Lake, Long Pine, Bassett and Stuart lodges were present.

Railroad Men to Assist Italian Metal Strikers

Bologna, Italy, Sept. 12.—The Railway Men's syndicate has decided to show its solidarity with the striking metal worker by preventing the departure of any train transporting police or troops towards northern Italy.

Several trains have already been stopped in conformity with the plan.

Landslide Wrecks Train; Both Enginemen Killed

Grand Junction, Colo., Sept. 12.—Denver and Rio Grande passenger train No. 1 was wrecked near De Beque, Colo., killing the engineer and fireman and fatally injuring Russell Hager of Dayton, O., when it was struck by a landslide.

The Principle of Self Determination

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President Wilson released it to harass Germany, but—



It has returned to embarrass the Allies.

Double Guard Is Put on Prison of Mayor MacSwiney

Death of Cork Official in England Is Expected at Any Hour by Officials.

London, Sept. 12.—A bulletin issued early tonight by the Gaelic league announced that Lord Mayor MacSwiney of Cork was much worse and in very great pain.

London, Sept. 12.—"The lord mayor of Cork is in a very exhausted condition. He is still suffering severely in his head and body, but is still conscious."

This bulletin was issued at 10 o'clock last night. The general impression is that Terence MacSwiney's death is expected at any hour. Officials apparently take this view because the police guard about the prison was doubled tonight.

Mrs. MacSwiney received numerous telegrams today. Among them was one reading:

"Cork men in Dublin extend sincere sympathy to you and family. If Terry dies we shall have vengeance."

One message of sympathy came from "The Rebel Cork Benevolent association of San Francisco."

Outbreak Among Strikers

New York, Sept. 12.—Picketing of British steamship piers continued yesterday, attributed by the police to friction between longshoremen striking in sympathy with Archbishop Mannix and Terence MacSwiney and negro strike breakers.

While members of the "American women pickets" were operating at the pier where negroes were unloading the liner Adriatic, whites and negroes clashed several blocks away. Several shots were fired and one bystander was known to have been injured by missiles.

Violence occurred when a fight started at the Stewards' club, an organization of negro ship employes. A white man is said to have attacked a negro after the latter refused to join the strikers. Fellow club members came to the rescue and the white man pursued several blocks.

Four shots were fired at the fugitive, who made a stand after being reinforced by a score of white longshoremen.

The free-for-all fight which followed was broken up by police reserves. A negro was arrested on charges of inciting a riot.

J. B. Mason, Resident in Omaha Since 1885, Dies

J. B. Mason, 74, one of the old residents of Omaha, died Saturday morning at 5:45 at his home, 4724 North Twenty-second street. Mr. Mason had been sick for more than a year.

He came to Omaha from Illinois in 1885 and was a faithful member of the Clifton Hill and First Presbyterian churches for many years.

Mr. Mason is survived by his wife, one brother, a daughter, Mrs. Noyes Spafford of Missouri Valley and a son, Dr. Claude Mason, a medical missionary to Siam, who is now on his way home on furlough.

Man Arrested for Alleged Murder of Messenger Boy

Chicago, Sept. 12.—The police received word that Lord H. Wilson of Chicago had been arrested in Billings, Mont., in connection with the alleged murder, August 12, 1919 in Connecticut, of a New York messenger boy and the theft of \$175,000 in Liberty bonds. The boy had started to deliver the bonds to a brokerage firm.

Wilson will be brought to Chicago.

Raps G.O.P. Stand On League Issue

Daniels Accuses Republicans of Straddle on Greatest Moral Question.

Kittery, Me., Sept. 12.—The republican attitude toward the league of nations was described as a straddle and the party was accused of paltering with the greatest moral issue that ever confronted mankind, in an address by Secretary Daniels here.

Secretary Daniels referred to the speech of Governor Coolidge at Portland as a disastrous attempt to extract his party from its "selfish and parochial position" and said the burden of the address was that America must mix with men and prosper and not isolate itself from the world.

"The first half of his speech," said Mr. Daniels, "was to declare for American participation in world affairs and it was essentially sound. But by reason of the straddle policy of his party Governor Coolidge had to repudiate his splendid record of American duty to the world."

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Noted Auto Polo Men Will Arrive Today for Ak-Sar-Ben Match

Members of the All-American and Pacific coast auto polo teams will arrive in Omaha this morning to get their machines in readiness for the battle to be put on tomorrow afternoon as the opening feature of the Ak-Sar-Ben exposition races.

So fast that the movies cannot follow it, the game has earned the name of the "Twentieth Century Sport" in that where it is played often. The thrills—which a car runs its front wheels over the engine of another; as the wheels of the two cars are crushed together and the drivers fight to get them apart—these sensations are but a part of the game.

Nine cars are kept at the goals constantly to replace those which are literally smashed to bits during the crashes.

Each of the two teams who play here are top-notchers. While the All-Americans hold the world championship, the Pacific coast men have met them twice before this season, nearly defeating them in one series, and in this string of games they intend to wrest the title from the present holders.

Man Killed in Argument Over Drilling Oil Well

Shreveport, La., Sept. 12.—As the result of argument in connection with a well being drilled in Harrison county, Texas, W. L. Hudson, aged 26, of Shreveport was killed at Marshall, Tex., by W. P. H. Lasater, aged 50, of Amarillo, Tex., who broke Hudson's neck by striking him on the head with a small board. Lasater, claiming self-defense, surrendered and was released under \$2,000 bonds.

Arrested Lovers On Complaint of Girl's Father

Sixteen-Year-Old Daughter Says She Will Marry Shoemaker in Spite of Parents' Opposition.

After a year's romance, pretty Constance Walters, 16, daughter of Fire Captain E. M. Walters, 2438 Larimore avenue, and Carl La Rosa, 1715 Chicago street, shoemaker, are in jail as the result of a complaint filed against both by the girl's father yesterday afternoon.

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Legion Band Concert Sunday Scores Hit

Playing to a large audience in the Brandeis theater, the American Legion band of Omaha scored a decided hit by its first public concert Sunday afternoon.

"The Omaha Legion," a march dedicated to the Omaha Legion men, composed by Marshall B. Craig, director of the band, was especially well received and the burst of applause following the playing of the piece was a glowing tribute to the musical ability of Mr. Craig.

Other features of the program were selections by the Y. M. C. A. quartet and a violin solo by little Rose Dubouff, accompanied by Flora Sears Nelson. Many prominent Omaha citizens and army officers attended the concert.

Auto Race Driver Drags 60-Day Term for Speeding

Sacramento, Cal., Sept. 12.—A. M. Kaster, garage owner and widely known as an amateur automobile racer, was sentenced to 60 days in the county jail for driving faster than 60 miles an hour on the highway near Sacramento.

The Weather

Forecast.
Nebraska—Generally fair Monday, with continued mild temperature.

Hourly Temperatures.

5 a. m.	61	1 p. m.	83
6 a. m.	59	2 p. m.	85
7 a. m.	57	3 p. m.	86
8 a. m.	65	4 p. m.	87
9 a. m.	71	5 p. m.	87
10 a. m.	77	6 p. m.	86
11 a. m.	80	7 p. m.	85
12 noon	83	8 p. m.	82

Two Make Getaway From Jail

One Had But Short Time to Serve in Douglas County Jail When Escape Made.

Discovered by Dr. Kent

Sawing through two bars which permitted them to reach the cornice of the court house, two prisoners in the county jail climbed down the scaffolding erected by workmen repairing the building and escaped. The two men were trustees and made their break for freedom some time during the dinner hour, about 8 o'clock.

Their escape was discovered by "Dr." H. J. Kent, being held awaiting trial in connection with the finding of two babies in a well. He notified the guards and a search was started immediately.

Russell Bailey, one of the men who escaped, is on the South Side. He was serving a six months' sentence on a charge of breaking and entering, and had but 66 more days to serve. Frank Monroe, the other prisoner who escaped, was held on a similar charge for the hospital Saturday night.

Both men were well-thought of by the officers in the county jail and for some time had been trustees working in the laundry.

While the other prisoners were eating the two men entered the bath room where they sawed the bars. All other prisoners after a close questioning denied any knowledge of the plan to escape or when the saws were smuggled into the jail.

Bailey, who is said to be an ex-convict, is about six feet tall, weighing 160 pounds. He has blue eyes and wavy brown hair. Both men were wearing blue shirts and white pants.

Monroe's home is in Sioux City. He is about five feet ten inches tall, weighing 160 pounds and light complexioned. He is suffering badly with asthma.

T. H. Weirich, Head of Omaha Welfare Board, Expires in Hospital

T. H. Weirich, 65, 2108 Chicago street, superintendent of the public welfare board, died at the Methodist hospital Saturday night. He had been taken to the hospital for treatment seven weeks ago.

Mr. Weirich had held the secretaryship of the welfare board for the past two years. He was formerly in business here, having established the T. F. Weirich Fixtore company.

He was born in Washington, O., and came to Omaha 25 years ago. He was a member of the official board of the First Methodist church here and for a time superintendent of the Sunday school.

Survivors of Mr. Weirich are: Mrs. R. H. Weirich, Knightswood, Ind.; Leonard Weirich, Rawlins, Wyo., and Ralph E. Weirich, Alberta, Canada. Funeral arrangements will not be made until word is received from the latter son who is on his way to Omaha.

Seven Persons Meet Death as Automobile Plunges Over Bank

Tarrytown, N. Y., Sept. 12.—Seven persons were killed and one seriously injured when an automobile in which they were riding crashed through a railing during a thunder storm and fell 20 feet to the New York Central railroad tracks at Dobbs Ferry.

The dead, all of whom lived in New York City are:
DR. GEORGE H. MCGUIRE, a physician.
MRS. FLORENCE MCGUIRE, his wife.
GEORGE H. MCGUIRE, JR., son.
MARY MCGUIRE, daughter.
JOHN J. HAWLEY, building inspector.

MRS. ANNA HAWLEY, his wife.
EDWARD MULROONEY.
Francis McGuire, 12, the only survivor, suffered a broken leg.

The party was returning to New York from Orange Lake, near Newburgh. Dr. McGuire was driving.

Man Drowns When Auto Plunges Off Ferry Boat

Phoenix, Ariz., Sept. 12.—A man fished by the sheriff's office here to have been Joseph Broderick, brother of Hugh Broderick, Tolson, Mont., was drowned in the Colorado river at Ehrenburg when he drove an automobile from the shore out upon the ferry boat, crossed the boat and plunged with the car to the river bottom, according to word received at the sheriff's office from a deputy sheriff at Quartzite, Ariz.

Twenty Persons Injured In Denver Street Car Crash

Denver, Colo., Sept. 12.—Twenty persons were hurt, some seriously, when an eastbound Colfax avenue street car split a switch, plunged into the curb and turned over.

According to report to the police the switch had been held open by a stone wedged in between the switch tongue and the rail.

Constitutional Election Fails to Arouse Voters

Fairbury, Neb., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—Very little interest is shown by the voters here in the coming constitutional election. Under the auspices of the Woman's League of Voters, C. H. Denney addressed a mass meeting Friday night at Endicott, and John C. Hartigan at Helvey. Other meetings will be in other parts of the county next week.