

LAST EDITION.

THURSDAY EVENING

TOPEKA, KANSAS, AUGUST 14, 1913.

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On sale by newsboys at TWO CENTS On trains and newspapers FIVE CENTS

AND IT RAINED

Over Half Inch Fell in Topeka Today.

Thermometer Dropped 23 Degrees in 17 Minutes.

WATER RAN IN THE STREETS

Was Only a Local Thunder Shower, However.

But It Ought to Be Cooler Tonight and Friday.

And it rained! At 1:40 o'clock a thunder storm broke over Topeka and by two o'clock over half an inch of water had fallen—59 to be exact. The water fairly came down in sheets, being carried along by a twenty-five mile breeze from a southerly direction, being by two o'clock had shifted to the north. When the rain began the mercury stood at the 86 degree point; seventeen minutes later the thermometer reading was 73 degrees—a drop of twenty-three degrees. And this, but the way, is the lowest thermometer reading in ten days.

In commenting upon the storm "Sunny" Flora, the local observer said: "Present indications are that it was a local thunder shower. It will be a great thing for Topeka and vicinity."

"The temperature tonight should be lower than Wednesday night and Friday will probably be slightly cooler." The hourly readings: 7 o'clock . . . 80 11 o'clock . . . 74 4 o'clock . . . 82 12 o'clock . . . 78 9 o'clock . . . 82 1 o'clock . . . 75 10 o'clock . . . 82 1:30 o'clock . . . 77 2 o'clock . . . 78

"Sunny" Flora, the local observer, gave out some record "dope" today that is more than passing interest. He stated that the period of seventy days from June 1 to date has broken all drought records. In that time the precipitation has been but 4.95 inches—11.90 inches is the normal amount. The previous record was in 1890 when the amount of rainfall in the period in question was 5.22 inches. In the famous season of 1901 when for nineteen consecutive days the mercury mounted to the century mark the record for rain in the seventy-five days was 7.40 inches. In 1911, another hard year for the farmers, the rainfall was 6.09 inches.

A feature of the present "spell" of hot weather is the sweltering nights. For ten consecutive nights the mercury has failed to drop below the seventy-five degree point. The previous record for consecutive "hot" nights was four in 1901. Two was the previous August record.

There has been no measurable rainfall at Topeka for twenty-two days or since the day before the circus was here. This breaks another summer record. The previous record for number of days without rain was 18 in 1900. In 1901 there were seventeen days without moisture—July 5 to 23.

There have been two years that have been hotter than this season from June 1 to August 13, the years 1900 and 1911. This season the average temperature for the period has been 79 degrees; normal is 76 degrees. The average temperature for the seventy-five days is 79 degrees; 82 degrees; in 1911 it was 80 degrees.

The minimum temperature this morning at 6 o'clock was 77 degrees, the lowest minimum in nine days. There was a gust of wind blowing from the south. The velocity ranged from 10 to 15 miles an hour. The mercury, however, began to mount rapidly this morning.

Associated Press reports from Kansas and western Missouri show that Topeka is not alone in experiencing a continuance of the heat. A report from Hutchinson reads: "This is another day of sweltering heat and at 8 o'clock the thermometer registered 86 degrees, the same as at this hour at Topeka. The sun is in sight. All of the orchards, many truck gardens and many alfalfa fields are being irrigated by pumping from the valley underflow which is not decreased by the wind. There is no shortage of water in Hutchinson or in this part of the state, for live stock or the use of cities."

The following dispatch is from Wichita: "Two weeks of hundred degree temperatures and no rain were rounded out today. Corn blades have dried and been blown from the ground. The fields of Kaffir corn will produce feed if rain comes within a week. April 7 was the date of the last rain of any consequence in this section of Kansas. County authorities are taking advantage of dry rivers and creeks to repair bridges. Owners of traction engines are continuing their plowing for wheat sowing."

There have been two deaths from heat prostrations at St. Joseph. A report from that place reads: "The prolonged hot spell is beginning to be fatal. Two deaths from heat prostration have resulted in the last 24 hours. Farmers in some localities have given up the idea of growing corn crop and are cutting the stalks for fodder. The problem of water for stock daily becomes more serious. Macksville is the only government station that reports rain—a shower falling .04 of an inch of moisture. A report from Lawrence is to the effect that the regular water supply has failed and that it has become necessary to pump water from the river. According to the report even the horses refuse to drink the water on account of its disagreeable taste and smell. The wells from which the water has been pumped have gone practically dry. A report from Santa Fe states that the recent rain at that point amounted to three inches. The rain was a local affair."

Following are the maximum temperatures at government stations for the 24 hours ending at 7 o'clock this morning: Concordia . . . 106 degrees Braden . . . 104 degrees Porcia . . . 106 degrees Fort Scott . . . 100 degrees Hanover . . . 100 degrees Hays . . . 104 degrees Horton . . . 106 degrees Iola . . . 100 degrees Macksville . . . 100 degrees

THIEF USES GUN

Fire Returned by Man Defending Price Place at Seabrook.

Caretaker's Shot Wounds Thief Who Rolls Down Ladder.

PARTING THREAT DELIVERED

Confederates Carry Away Wounded Man.

House Fired Into From Road Several Days Before Attack.

Threats from unknown persons, mysterious shootings, and an attempted burglary which resulted in the wounding of one man, identity unknown, are features of a case which Sheriff Kiene and his assistants are working on, and which up to date is unsolved. Two weeks ago, last Monday, during the nighttime, someone standing in the road in front of the bungalow owned by John Price, just east of the Seabrook church, was fired into. The bullet went through a screen door and passed through one of the interior doors of the house. No one was in the house at the time, as Mr. Price, who is proprietor of the Smoke House, has not been occupying it recently. He has kept a Prichman as caretaker on the place, however. "Frenchy," as he is known, was sleeping in the barn at the time of the shooting. He says there were several men in the party. Last Saturday night the men returned. There were five in the party. "Frenchy" was again sleeping in the barn. He heard a noise and was able to see five of the men and to distinguish that they were negroes. They were stationed at various points on the street. "Frenchy" had ascended a ladder on the outside of the chicken house. Another was on the inside, and while "Frenchy" was watching, five chickens were hanged by the man inside to the man on the ladder. "Frenchy" then opened the barn door. In doing so the noise attracted the attention of the thieves and one of them fired a shot at him, hitting the man in the chest. The other four men, with a 32 calibre automatic revolver opened fire on the man on the ladder. He says he shot the man in the head; that he crumpled up and fell striking on the ladder and rolling to the ground. The man in the chicken house then came out and assisted his wounded confederate to get away. "That the negroes were acquainted with 'Frenchy' at least to the extent of knowing his name is shown by the party threat delivered by one of them, who called back as he was running, 'We will get you yet, Frenchy.'"

TELLS OF MURDER

Davis, Arrested for Killing Al Hatch, Confesses.

Gives Detail of Plot and His Own Wanderings.

Kansas City, Aug. 14.—Mrs. Bernie Davis the 39 year old Wichita bride of the leader of the boy bandits who killed Al Hatch was in custody at the county jail for a short time after she and Davis reached Kansas City today in the care of Harry Hoffman, chief deputy marshal. Davis was arrested yesterday in Oklahoma City. The release of Mrs. Davis was ordered by Judge Latschaw when he reached the criminal court building. She went at once to the home of Davis's mother. Harry Davis signed a statement to the prosecuting attorney today saying that the plot to rob Al Hatch was formed in a spaghetti joint near Eighth and Main streets. He told that he and James Harper and Harry Asher rode to Linwood boulevard and Park avenue and waited for Hatch who was known to wear \$1,500 worth of diamonds. "When Hatch got off the car," said the statement, "Asher told him to hold the car. At this time Asher, Harper and myself had Hatch covered. Hatch put his hand to his hip pocket and Asher fired. Hatch was holding on to the lamp post. Then Asher stepped back on the grass and fired two more shots. Harper did not fire. I shot twice. We all ran. "We went to my home at 3650 Brooklyn avenue and all went to bed. Harper left the house early in the morning. Asher and I went down town at 1:30 o'clock. "Asher was arrested at Eighth and Main streets. "I was just inside the cafe when Asher was arrested. "That night I was in Asher's house when the police came in. Mrs. Asher told the officers that we were all her friends sitting on the grass. There were several of us in there. "That night I went to Memphis. From there to New Orleans, then to Wichita from December 2 to January 4. Then I went to Fort Smith, Ark., then to Galveston, then to Oklahoma City, then to Ponca City, Ok., and back to Oklahoma City where I was arrested."

WHITMAN IS BOUNCED

New York District Attorney Throws One of a Restaurant.

New York, Aug. 14.—Two hundred men and women including District Attorney Whitman were ejected from Healy's restaurant, Columbus avenue and Sixty-sixth street, Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock this morning by a phalanx of policemen. The district attorney and his party were pitched into the street by the side of hatless women, whose clothing in many instances was torn and displaced by rough handling of the police during the afternoon. "This is an outrage, a disgrace on the city of New York," declared the district attorney as he was swept into the grand jury at once and I will seek warrants for those responsible for this outrage. "The district attorney had gone to the restaurant at the request of Thomas Healy, the proprietor, who wanted him to personally witness the scenes that had been caused by the demonstration of the police to enforce Mayor Gaynor's 1 o'clock curfew order.

TOPEKANS AT DENVER

Kansas Drill Teams Exhibit—Expect to Win Prizes.

Denver, Colo., Aug. 14.—Topeka Knights Templars are leaving after the first days of the convalesce for sight-seeing and outing trips to the various mountain resorts and famous fishing and hunting places. Some are making one and two day railroad excursions into the more noted scenic section and others are taking regular outing trips to quieter localities. Several Kansas drill teams participated in the events today for the \$11,000 worth of prizes. The Mount Olivet No. 12 of Wichita, Kan., was the third team to exhibit during the afternoon. The organization was led by Captain C. H. Newcomb and its efforts were appreciated from the time it started until its 30 minutes' display concluded. Newton Commandery No. 9 of Newton, Kan., made a very favorable impression. The Newtons were commanded by Captain James J. Norton. This team won the Kansas Knights Templar first prize in Manhattan a few weeks ago. It is the first time that the Newtons have engaged in a trial of this kind, but they have been in the Kansas competitions for two years. The Newtons were strong in their formations. Practically every one made their mathematical precision and in their marching the alignments were always sharp and distinct. The Newtons are not contenders, it is said, by the unanimous opinion of the judges. They are confident that they will be successful in capturing one of the prizes. The Newtons were followed by the famous Kansas City Commandery No. 10 of Kansas City, Mo., under the command of Captain J. E. Chandler. They marched down the field with a

BIG CATTLE SHIPMENTS

Heaviest Wednesday Shipment at Kansas City on Record.

Kansas City, Aug. 14.—More cattle were received at the Kansas City stock yards Wednesday than any other Wednesday this year. The receipts were 18,000. Chicago receipts were 22,000, which is 5,000 more than were received there a week ago. The Kansas City receipts were 16,000 more than a week ago, and 6,000 more than the receipts of the week before. The market is steady to 15 cents lower. Cattle sold all the way from \$17.50 to \$18.75 a hundred. The receipts from Tacoma, Wash., half were feeders and the others beef cattle.

LOS ANGELES WINS.

Next Knights Templars Conclave to Coast City.

Denver, Aug. 14.—Los Angeles was selected as the meeting place for the thirty-third triennial convolve of Knights Templars in 1916 on the first ballot.

Refugees Coming North. Washington, Aug. 14.—With American refugees also the navy ship Glacier sailed late last night from Guaymas for San Francisco. She will take more Americans aboard at Topeka. The ship is expected to reach Vera Cruz late Saturday or early Sunday. The gunboat Nashville is expected to sail from Fortmouth, N. H., navy yard Saturday and reach Vera Cruz about a week later.

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HAS LOST TAFT.

Cincinnati No Longer Can Claim Him as a Citizen.

Cincinnati, Aug. 14.—That Cincinnati has lost former President W. H. Taft, as its most prominent citizen, is made known through the report of a humble collector of taxes in the ward in which Mr. Taft formerly resided. The assessor of that ward, who has never received a report from Mr. Taft as to his taxation. The board of review, the official taxing body, took up the matter with Mr. Taft at his summer home at Point-Au-Pic, Canada, and Mr. Taft replied that he is now a citizen of New Haven, Conn., where he has already paid his taxes.

WOMAN FALLS DEAD.

When Man Kills Her Dog With a Whip.

Indianapolis, Aug. 14.—Mrs. Himan Barrett, 72 years old, fell dead here last night when she saw Charles Young kill her pet poodle dog. Mrs. Barrett was standing on the sidewalk in front of her home when Young passed and the little dog barked at him. He struck the animal with a heavy whip.

VOICE THEIR NEEDS.

Pacific Coast Bankers Have Their Day at Washington.

Washington, Aug. 14.—Bankers from Pacific coast cities gathered at the treasury today to discuss a line their needs for participation in the \$50,000,000 government deposits about to be distributed in the moving states. Secretary McAdoo made it plain that while the funds are to be placed only with banks in the larger cities, but they caught no sight of the escaping murderer. The victim himself clutched a loaded revolver which he had not fired.

THE DAY IN CONGRESS

Senate in Tariff Debate—House Not in Session.

Washington, Aug. 14.—Senate met at 11 a. m. and resumed tariff debate. Caucus on recess met and recessed until tonight. Lobby investigation continued. House not in session; meets Friday. Woman's suffragists heard by judiciary committee.

NINE MEN KILLED.

Cable Pin on a Ore Car Slips on a Grade.

Clifton, Ariz., Aug. 14.—Nine men were killed and one seriously injured when a cable pin snapped at the Coronado mine and two ore cars carrying 12 tons of ore and 13 miners dashed down a 38 degree grade for a distance of 3,200 feet. The cars and their passengers had just been lowered over the brink of the grade, which is one of the longest and steepest in the world, when the cable snapped. The cars started downward like a shot. Three Americans, named Ladd, Scott and Ambler, promptly rolled off, but out of ten who remained on the cars, nine were killed and one seriously injured. The dead were Mining Engineer Shaeffer, formerly of Colorado; E. M. Jones, an electrician of Clifton, and three Americans, two Italians and two Mexican miners.

LOW WAGES AND VICE

No Relation Between the Two, Says K. U. Professor.

Chicago, Aug. 14.—Low wages are not an important cause of vice, Professor Harry A. Mills of the University of Chicago, asserted during a lecture at the University of Chicago. He severely criticized the recent Illinois investigation and held that the evidence tended to deny any relation between wages and immorality. "If any considerable percentage of women become immoral, it is to be explained chiefly by the environment and the effort to obtain favor and not by the rate at which they are paid," asserted Professor Mills. "Virtue is protected in poverty almost as generally as in riches. The deficit is made up of the quantity of charity and sometimes must be paid in the kind of living which spoils the long and narrow efficiency and the sacrifice of opportunities for little more than a wretched existence."

LIND STRIKES IT RICH.

Leases Valuable Ore Land to an Iron Company.

Grand Rapids, Aug. 14.—John Lind, special representative in Mexico of President Wilson, has "struck it rich" on the Minnesota iron range. Forty acres of rich ore land owned by Mr. Lind was today leased to an iron company. Royalties of 25 cents a ton, with a minimum of 30,000 tons, are provided for. Twenty acres that have been leased are said to show 600,000 tons of ore. A lease on the same land was cancelled by the United States Steel corporation a year ago.

TWO NEGROES LYNCHED

Both Had Committed Murders Over Watermelons.

Admore, Aug. 14.—Two negroes, Sanders Franklin and Henry Balston, were taken from officers by a mob near Paul's Valley and lynched according to reports reaching here. The negroes were on their way to trial at Paul's Valley. Franklin was charged with killing a white man after a dispute over the price of a watermelon, and Balston was accused of killing a white boy whom he found in his watermelon patch.

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