

MIDNIGHT SKY LIGHTED UP BY AURORA BOREALIS

A brilliant display of the aurora borealis, or northern lights, was visible in Chicago shortly after midnight. It bore the appearance of a curtain of light high above the earth.

Telegraph companies reported that the electro-magnetic waves had caused an interruption of their service from the northwest, but that there was no interference to the east and the south.

The aurora borealis is in some obscure way connected with sun spots, astronomers having discovered that the prevalence of the spots accompanies great activity of the lights. The electrons thrown off by the sun collect at the earth's magnetic poles and stream out in the form of the light curtain, shimmering green and yellow.

SLEEPING BABY CAUSES THIEVES TO GIVE UP AUTO

Little Patrick Gilmore, 3 months old, is better than insurance on the automobile of his father, Raymond Gilmore, 7942 South Wabash avenue. The youngster was left sleeping in the car last night when his parents parked it in front of 5700 South Troy street. Then it was stolen. Mr. Gilmore hastened to the Chicago Lawn police station to report a kidnaping and an auto theft, but when he got back neighbors informed him that the thieves had abandoned both baby and car in front of 5600 South Troy street. The baby was still asleep.

BRAINS DYING OUT SCIENTIST SAYS; HE HAS A REMEDY

LEICESTER, England, Sept. 8.—(AP)—Dr. J. I. J. Hurst of Cambridge university told the British Association for the Advancement of Science today that brains are dying out.

Owing to the decreasing birthrate among the more intelligent families, he said, the intelligence index of population is declining so rapidly as to endanger the safety of modern civilization.

Dr. Hurst suggested a scheme of family allowances for parents of all classes whose intelligence is of a higher grade.

Peter B. Kyne Convalescent After Major Operation

San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 8.—(AP)—Peter B. Kyne, novelist and magazine writer, is convalescent in a hospital here after a major operation, it was learned today. His physician said he would be in the hospital a week or ten days longer.