

THE WEATHER
 Washington, March 9.—Fair tonight and Wednesday.
TEMPERATURE AT EACH HOUR

8	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5
28	31	33	35	37	38	38	37	35	33

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BERGDOLL FIGHTS TO EXCLUDE PUBLIC AT COURT-MARTIAL
 Military Counsel for Slacker Demands Secrecy, but Judge Advocate Protests

ATTEMPTS TO CORRUPT TESTIMONY ALLEGED
 Attitude of Press is Detrimental to Draft Dodger's Case, Says Capt. Campbell



MISS META JONES
 REV. J. EDWIN JONES
 Pastor of Bethany M. E. Church and daughter, who discovered a burglar in their home at Seventy-sixth street and Hulst avenue, at midnight last night.

Captain Hannay Protests
 "The filibuster is merely an attempt to hold secret sessions so that the defense may introduce perjured witnesses who would be afraid to give their lying testimony in open court," Captain Hannay, associated in the prosecution charged.

PASTOR CAPTURES MIDNIGHT RAIDER
 Bethany M. E. Church Minister and Daughter Surprise Intruder at Luncheon

LOCKS HIMSELF IN STUDY
 After surprising a burglar in their home at midnight, the Rev. J. Edwin Jones, of Bethany M. E. Church, and his daughter, Meta, trapped the intruder in a room and caused his capture. They live at Seventy-sixth street and Hulst avenue.

SHORE VISITORS FLEE FIRE
 Three Business Places in Hotel Seriously Damaged

GRANT NEW STOKES TRIAL
 Rich Socialist's Conviction Under Espionage Act Reversed

WARRANT FOR LT. NOON
 Police Officer Accused of Assault by Joseph Del Rossi

CLERK SHOT EMPLOYER IN BACK
 Washington, March 9.—(By A. P.) Raymond Corcoran, an American citizen, was murdered by his Mexican clerk Saturday, February 28, according to a report from the American consulate at Nuevo Laredo.

"DARK HORSE" MAY BEAT TRAIN IN SUFFRAGE RACE
 Vote of West Virginia "Anti" Will Be Contested on Nonresident Grounds—Block Hurrying From West

CHARGE PRAYER BOOK THEFT
 Charged with attempting to steal a box of prayer books, Joseph Butler, of Race street near Eighth, was held today under \$5000 bail for court by Magistrate Meekley at Central Court.

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AIR BOMBS BREAK SUSQUEHANNA ICE; FLOOD IS HALTED
 Army Fliers Shatter 30-Foot George at Port Deposit, Md., With Wartime Missiles



MRS. CAREY EVANS
 Eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd George, of England, who has joined her husband in India, where he is on military duty.

HURT IN CRAMP'S FIRE
 Workman Hit by Glass in Blaze at Shipyard

MRS. JOHN HANNUM DIES
 Pneumonia Fatal to Mother of Attorney General Schaffer

MEXICAN KILLS AMERICAN
 Clerk Shot Employer in Back, Washington Learns

ARMY OFFICIALS ELATED
 Army officials at Aberdeen were elated at the success of a smaller train for John Noon, police lieutenant today.

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