August 22, 1927

Mr. V. H. Biddison
605 Mayo Building
Tulsa, Okla.

My dear Mr. Biddison:

Since writing you some little time ago in regard to the report that a bright star shone out in the middle of the day of Lincoln's second inauguration, I have asked the Weather Bureau to send me their record of March 4, 1865. Here is what they send:

"August 3, 1927

"Dear Madam: Replying to your inquiry dated July 26, relative to the weather in Washington, D.C. on March 4, 1865:

"The Weather Bureau was not established until 1870, but we quote the following from the record kept by the Smithsonian Institution:

"'Rain began 6 p.m., 3rd; ended 9 a.m. 4th. .43 inch. Clouds 7 a.m., 10 nimbus; 2 p.m., 4 cumulus. Early this morning the rain was hard. Sun came out at 1/2 before 1 p.m.'"

You see there is no star reported.

Very truly yours

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