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THE END GAME

POSTMASTER J. B. MATHEWS
DIED YESTERDAY AF-
TERNOON.

FUNERAL TOMORROW

Another Pioneer Citizen Passes to
His Reward.—A Short Sketch of
the Life of the Deceased.—The Fu-
neral Will be Held at 2:30 O'clock
From the Late Residence.

Last evening at about 6:30 Post-
master J. B. Mathews, after an ill-
ness of about three weeks, peacefully
breathed his last. For several days
he had been unconscious, and during
the previous twenty-four hours his
death had been momentarily expect-
ed. Just about three weeks ago he
was taken with a severe case of pneu-
monia from which he was never
able to rally. In his death Roswell
and New Mexico lose a pioneer citi-
zen, and a man who was universally
liked and respected.

"Billy Mathews" as he was fami-
liarly known, was one of the few men
whom everybody liked. In his nature
there was a geniality that made ev-
erybody his friend. The stranger, who
would meet him but for a few min-
utes conversation, would walk away
from him feeling that he had known
him for years, and for years to come
he would remember him as a friend.
The humor and good nature of the
man was contagious. Brave to the
point of daring, charitable in acts
and deeds to the utmost, of broad
nature and broader sympathies, it is
no wonder that last evening when
the report spread over town that "Bil-
ly Mathews is dead" that every heart
was heavy, and there was a lump in
the throat that wouldn't down. Not
because he had been a popular offi-
cial, not because he had been a brave
soldier in war, and a man who in the
early days of this Territory had been
a terror to the evil doers, but he was
honored and respected for his own
innate qualities of manhood that won
everybody to him.

The funeral will occur tomorrow
at the family residence at 2:30 p. m.
Short services will be conducted by
Elder C. C. Hill of the Christian
church in which Mr. and Mrs. Mathe-
ws affiliated. The Masons will then
take charge of the body and he will
be buried under Masonic auspices with
a Knights Templar escort. Mr. Mathe-
ws was a Scottish Rite Master of the
32nd degree. The pall bearers
will be W. M. Atkinson, E. A. Ca-
hoon, Nathan Jaffa, Smith Lea, Jno.
W. Poe and John T. Stone.

Biography.

J. B. Mathews was born in Wood-
bury, Cannon County, Tennessee, on
May 5th, 1847. He was the son of
Walker and Anna (Ashford) Mathews
In Tennessee his early life was passed
and his common school education was
secured. Although but thirteen years
of age when the war broke out he en-
listed as a member of Company M,
Fifth Tennessee Cavalry and served
until the war was over. He was dis-
charged at Pulaski, Tennessee in Au-
gust 1865. He was in many hard
fights, Murfreesboro being one of the
famous engagements in which he par-
ticipated.

In 1867, young Mathews being a
boy yet in his teens went to Giplin
County Colorado and took up the life
of a miner. In the fall of this same
year he came to Taos county, New
Mexico, and has since been a resident
of the Territory. In 1872, he came to
the Pecos Valley and located on a
claim three miles east of Roswell.
For five years he was in business in

this part of the Territory, a part of
the time being a member of the firm
of Dolan & Riley, of Lincoln until the
time of the Lincoln County war. The
story of this war is familiar to every
citizen of New Mexico. In the final
surrender of "Billy the Kid" the war
ended, and Mr. Mathews more than
any other man by his fearlessness
and bravery discharged every duty to
preserve law and order and brought
this contest to a close. From the
close of this war until 1885 Mr. Mathe-
ws filled the responsible position
of Manager of the Penasco Cattle Co
making his headquarters at Lower
Penasco. In 1883 Mr. Mathews was
married to Miss Dora Bates who now
survives him. In 1893 he came to Ros-
well and this has since been his home
He was appointed postmaster July 1st
1896 by President McKinley, and
again re-appointed in 1902, a position
he held until the time of his death.

Mr. Mathews leaves a wife and
three children, Mrs. R. E. Maddux,
Ernest Houston, and Cora Mathews.
No more popular man has ever liv-
ed or died in Chaves County than J.
B. Mathews.

ERRONEOUS IMPRESSION.

Stockard and Auld Charge Only \$2.50
an Hour for Car and Chauffeur.

Some are under the impression
that it costs \$2.50 per hour for a sin-
gle person to ride in Stockard &
Auld's automobile. This is a vast mis-
take. It costs only \$2.50 per hour for
the entire machine, which carries
four persons besides the chauffeur and
several children besides.

Where several parties secure the
machine for two or three hours, or
a longer time, suitable reductions
will be made. Another special feature
is that they will take you to any part
of the city for 25c. They do not limit
you to the inside of the North Spring
or Hondo rivers, but will take you to
any part of either Military Heights
or South Hill for 25c, or 50c for the
round trip.

The physicians of the city and
those who live in the country should
bear in mind that physicians
clians will be taken to any part of the
Valley on hurry sick call at all hours
of day or night. This was one of the
main reasons that caused these gen-
tlemen to invest in an expensive car
that was capable of going at high
speed. All the doctors in the city
should bear in mind to call them up
when they have a hurry call to the
country.

A trip through the farms and Lov-
ers' Lane by way of the bee farm
and the big orchard is a most delig-
htful one and can be made in about
one hour. Engagements will be made
ahead for Sunday parties and for
those who wish to make a tour of the
beautiful valley. The car will always
be in charge of a competent chauffeur,
perfect safety is insured. Phone 255.

BIG SALE OF CATTLE.

Ike Humphrey of South Dakota Buys
Bunch of Two Year Olds.

Robert L. Slaughter passed through
the city yesterday and was joined
here by his brother George M.
Slaughter. They went to Bovina, Tex.,
where they shipped out between five
and six thousand Long S. two year
olds. The cattle were bought by Ike
Humphrey and will be shipped to Rap-
id City, South Dakota. It is under-
stood that the steers sold for good
prices. The entire bunch was raised
on the Long S. ranch near Midland,
Texas, where Robert L. Slaughter is
manager. This is one of the largest
deals in live stock made in this sec-
tion for some time.

Notice.

Members of Henry W. Lawton G.
A. R. Post are requested to meet at
the office of Ava E. Page in Roswell
Sunday at 2 p. m., June 5th, 1904,
to attend the funeral of Comrade J. B.
Mathews to be held at his late resi-
dence in Roswell.

AVA E. PAGE,
G. A. R. Post Commander.
IRA P. WETMORE, Adjt.

"Hello, Jim, where you going?"

"I'm going to room No. 7, in Okla-
homa block, to list my property with
Carlton & Roach."

"Say, Bill, those fellows are onto
their job."

"You know it."

FLOOD CONTINUES

TEN RESIDENCE BLOCKS IN OK-
LAHOMA CITY UNDER WATER

TERRIFIC DOWNPOUR

Oklahoma and the Gas Fields of Sou-
thern Kansas are the Greatest Suf-
ferers.—The Flood is Breaking the
Record of Last Year.

Oklahoma City, O. T., June 4.—Wa-
ter covers the northwestern section
of this city from First to Sixth street
and hundreds of families are driven
from their homes. The excessive rain-
fall of the last two days culminated
today in a terrific downpour. The
water covers over ten residence
blocks and is two feet higher than
the big flood of last year. There is
much suffering.

Kansas City, Mo., June 4.—Further
rains have fallen in southern Kansas
and the flood condition in the valleys
of the Neosho and Cottonwood riv-
ers continue to grow worse. These
streams are higher than at any time
in the past twenty years, not except-
ing the rise of a year ago, and they
are still rising. The Kaw which caused
great damage from Kansas City
west to Manhattan in last year's
flood continues to rise slowly at To-
peka, Lawrence and Kansas City, but
as yet no alarm is felt along this
stream. Oklahoma and Indian Terri-
tory streams are also high, and in
some instances have already overflow-
ed their banks, doing considerable
damage. As far as known only two
lives have been lost in Kansas. A
woman and child whose names are
unknown were drowned at Florence.
The greatest damage was wrought in
the oil fields at Iola, Florence, Em-
poria, Ft. Scott and further west
along the Arkansas.

TO THE WORLD'S FAIR.

Col. Page Sends Another Shipment
To-Day, and Wants More.

Col. A. E. Page today sent another
shipment of agricultural products to
the World's Fair for exhibition. This
is one of the best ways in which to
advertise the Valley, so if you have
anything of merit let him know and
he will send for it.

The shipment today comprised some
fine wheat from Fred Stevens' place,
potatoes raised by J. E. Wilson, beets
from Joe Goodheart's place, and six-
ty day alfalfa raised by Prof. Thomp-
son. This alfalfa was 26 inches long
if you have anything to equal or beat
these things produce them and let
the world know what you are doing.

Miss Taylor Now a Bride.

Washington, June 4.—A distin-
guished naval company witnessed the
marriage today of Miss Neville Sims
Taylor, daughter of Rear Admiral
and Mrs. Taylor, and Lieutenant
Walter Rockwell Gherardl, U. S. N.
The ceremony was performed at All
Saints' Church, Chevy Chase, and
was followed by a large reception at
the Taylor home in Lenox street.
The wedding unites two families
distinguished in the naval history of
the country.

THE COTTON EXPERIMENT

J. E. Moore Has Postponed It Until
The Next Season.

J. E. Moore, who recently located
in Artesia from Temple, Texas, was
in the city Thursday. Mr. Moore is
one of the most enthusiastic boosters
in the Valley and he believes in try-
ing everything in the Valley. He in-

tended to put in an experimental crop
of cotton this season, but he has giv-
en up the idea, as he found that the
people who had the land and water
were opposed to the experiment on
their land as many of them had come
from the cotton section, and had raised
the product when it sold for fets.
per pound. Mr. Moore's idea was to
get a crop this season while the pri-
ces were up, but when he saw that
the people were opposed, he gave the
idea up until next year, when he will
make the experiment on his own
land. He owns 160 acres at the pre-
sent time near Artesia, but he has not
drilled a well up to the present time.
He will put down a well in the near
future and he expects that the experi-
ment will be a great success. His
land adjoins the land on which J.
Mack Smith has his big well, and Mr.
Moore is confident that he can strike
oil of the artesian water he will need
for irrigating purposes. It is his in-
tention to plant a crop of cotton and
then to put out a crop of alfalfa. The
cotton experiment has been tried at
Carlsbad and found to be a success
and there is no reason why the crop
should not flourish in the vicinity of
Artesia.

CHANGE IN TIME TABLE.

The New Railroad Time Table Goes
Into Effect Tomorrow.

Under the new time table which
goes into effect tomorrow the train
south will leave at 4:20 p. m., and
the train north at 11:45 a. m. rail-
road time.

Notice.

The teachers of the Territory of
New Mexico are invited to take advan-
tage of special rates to the Universi-
ty of Chicago. A special stop-over of
ten days is given in St. Louis for \$1.
making the round trip ticket, \$40.
Ticket expires Oct. 31. The tui-
tion at the University of Chicago is
\$103.00, including laundry, board, and
books and room. A party of eight tea-
chers will leave Roswell next Tues-
day, June 7. Teachers are invited to
join the party. For information call
on J. F. Stillwell.

Attention, Masons.

All Masons are requested to assem-
ble in the lodge room promptly at
1:30 p. m. tomorrow (Sunday) when-
ce they will proceed to the residence of
our late brother J. B. Mathews to
perform the last sad rites of the bu-
rial service.

Fraternally,

J. W. WILLSON, W. M.

New Masonic Lodge.

R. M. Parsons has been down to
Artesia on business concerning the
institution of a new Masonic lodge
at Artesia. The officers elect have
already obtained their certificates
from the District Deputy Grand Mas-
ter, and the Deputy Grand Lecturer
and under dispensation will in a few
days complete their organization.

Death of an Infant.

The funeral services of the child
of Mr. and Mrs. Dippel were held yes-
terday afternoon from the residence
near St. Andrew's Hall by Elder C.
C. Hill of the Christian church, af-
ter which the little body was tender-
ly laid to rest in Southside Cemetery.

Attention, K. of P.

All K. of P.'s are requested to meet
at their hall at 1 o'clock Sunday,
June 5, to attend the funeral of J.
B. Mathews, deceased.

J. J. JONES, K. of R. & S.

Surrey Wanted.

Wanted—Use of surrey for the sum-
mer. Apply at Frost & Walton's art
gallery, or 811 N. Pa. It

FOR RENT.—6 room house, \$21 N.
Main st., furnished or unfurnished.
Apply to Mrs. Barrett, 104 East
Ninth. \$212*

I can use a few more live men to
sell Blaze Killer, the most powerful
fire protection before the public. Per-
manent positions all over the South-
west. I will be here for a few days
only.

C. W. WADELL,

El Capitan hotel, Roswell, N. M.

W. H. Godair, president of the
First National Bank, left this morning
for points north.

SERIES OF FIGHTS

SEVERAL SKIRMISHES BETWEEN
THE CONTENDING FORCES.

NO DECISIVE BATTLE

Both Sides are Probably Suppressing
Reports of the Number Wounded.—
Russians Reinforce Their Army
Army With Artillery.—An Import-
ant Battle Pending.

Tokio, June 4.—The commander of
the Japanese forces south of the Ya-
lu river telegraphed from Seoul to-
day the news of a series of fights
north of Pulan Tien, about forty
miles north of Port Adams on Liao
Tung peninsula Monday. The reports
were received from Japanese cavalry
scouting in the vicinity of Chu Chia
Tung. It was learned that the Cos-
sacks had been located at Telissu
and the Japanese thereupon dispatch-
ed infantry and cavalry which de-
feated and pursued them. The Rus-
sian force consisted of three squad-
rons. At Chang Tuen this force was
joined by two additional squadrons
and the Japanese again attacked and
defeated the Russians. Five compa-
nies of infantry and a battery of
horse artillery joined the Russians at
Lung Wang Miao where the Japanese
attacked for the third time and the
Russians fell back to Telissu where
the Japanese and Russian cavalry
continued in contact Monday night.

St. Petersburg, June 4.—The war
office has received news of a sharp
fight twenty miles north of Salmatz,
north of Feng Wang Cheng, June 1st,
in which six Cossacks were killed
and twenty-two wounded. The Japa-
nese losses are not known.

The war office has received no
fresh news from Liao Tung. Since
the receipt of General Stoessel's re-
port the general staff is convinced
that the Japanese losses in the fight-
ing about Kinchou were greater than
was officially admitted. It is known
that only the very seriously wounded
were included in the category. There
are indications that both sides are
using this course, as the wounds by
small calibre high velocity bullets
unless they reach a vital spot heal
quickly, and in a few weeks most of
the wounded men are again ready
for active service.

The general public in the Russian
capital is imbued with the belief that
an important battle is impending be-
tween General Kuropatkin and Gen-
eral Kuroki. The best informed cir-
cles and the war office do not antici-
pate a decisive battle immediately
unless it be brought about unexpect-
edly by accidental collision between
these strong columns. Nevertheless
it is known that a difference of opin-
ion exists at Russian headquarters
as to the advisability of General Ku-
ropatkin taking the aggressive, and
it is believed this matter was the
subject of a conference between the
commander in chief and the viceroy
at Mukden Tuesday. Kuropatkin's po-
sition is becoming very formidable
both in the number and character of
troops at his disposal. The most im-
portant addition is a large reinforce-
ment of artillery in which the Rus-
sian army was especially weak.

Mukden, June 4.—The situation in
the war zone is not altered, and no
news has been received here from
Port Arthur. The Russian successes
in northeast Corea are said to be
causing great disquietude among the
Japanese.

Paris, June 3.—A dispatch to the

"Temps" from St. Petersburg, says:
"It appears the Russian relief column
of 30,000 men mobilized for the suc-
cor of Port Arthur has abandoned
its project owing to the fall of Kin
Chou and the landing of Japanese re-
inforcements.

HEAD END COLLISION.

Missouri Pacific Passenger Trains
Come Together.

Kansas City, Mo., June 4.—By a
head end collision of two Missouri
Pacific trains near Martin, 23 miles
south of Kansas City, one person
was killed and nineteen injured. The
trains were the No. 1 Colorado Flyer
westbound and No. 3 accommodation
August Bloom of Clear Lake, S. D.
Both trains were behind time and
were trying to make up time.

TO RESURRECT POWDERLY.

Knights of Labor Want Him to As-
sume the Leadership Again.

Boston, Mass., June 4.—A move-
ment is under way in Knights of La-
bor circles to have Terence V. Pow-
derly, formerly general master work-
man of that organization, assume the
leadership once more. Michael J. Ken-
nedy, secretary-treasurer of the dis-
trict assembly of this city is authori-
ty for the statement that Powderly
has been asked to take charge of af-
fairs, and that he has intimated that
he will accept if his election is unani-
mous.

The Chautauqua Industrial Art Desk.

This desk has given great satisfac-
tion and is highly recommended by
the leading families of Roswell. It is
the best of its kind for kindergarten
work, and the home teaching of chil-
dren. The desk, table pencils and col-
ored crayons, etc., for same can be
obtained of the sole agent, James
Warren, 302 N. Richardson. All orders
promptly attended to. 7915*

Real Estate.

"Well, I should smile."
If you want
Anything of any kind,
Anywhere, at any time,
See Carlton & Roach;
They simply deliver the goods."

Married at Hagerman.

Wesley Langford and Miss Susie
Cowan were married at Hagerman
Wednesday. Mr. Langford is the popu-
lar Hagerman merchant and Miss
Cowan is a most attractive young
lady.

Hondo Lands.

Maps with names of present own-
er, date of filing and vacant land be-
low Hondo reservoir. Phone 220, ov-
er Citizens bank. \$212

Roswell Opera House.

Mrs. Landrum will open her chil-
dren's class for Physical Culture and
dancing today at 3:30 p. m. Tu-
ition \$1.00 per month. 31*

Rev. W. E. Lyon, pastor of the
First Methodist church, returned on
Thursday from Pecos, Texas, where
he has been attending district con-
ference, and he will fill his pulpit here
tomorrow. See announcement in the
regular column.

Dr. E. M. Fisher left this morning
for Portales. He will go from there
to the Witherspoon ranch 65 miles
north of that town on a professional
call.

C. F. Waugh and little daughter
Miss Dorothy left this morning for
their home at Trinidad, Colo., after
a visit to the Valley.

Miss Edna Stanton and brother
who have been spending the winter
in this city, left this morning for
their home at Chicago. They will
probably return next fall.

Students of grammar grades can
have their certificates Monday morn-
ing by 10 o'clock at Public school, or
at Prof. Stilwell's office.

WANTED.—A good cook to go to Ar-
tesia Monday eve. Apply 311 N. Pe-
cos. Phone 222. 11

E. F. Hardwicke returned this morn-
ing from Artesia where he has been
looking after his artesian well.