

MATHEWS AND MACK

Mathews Declares the Truth is Not in Judge Mack.

Former Prosecuting Attorney Lets Some Light In On a Few Judicial Acts.

In reference to the serious criminal charge made by Judge McDonald against J. E. Nessey, which is published on the third page of The Gazette today, J. W. Mathews, former prosecuting attorney, has given out the following statement:

Says Judge is Not Veracious.

"It is untrue," said Mr. Mathews, "that I ever told Judge McDonald that Nessey had been guilty of any crime. Judge McDonald told me that such an affair had occurred, and that H. K. James, a convict, who had been sent to the penitentiary at Walla Walla, had made the statement to R. A. Sims, then sheriff, while the latter was conducting James to the penitentiary. I went with Sims and James as a guard, and was never absent from him during the journey, and I never heard any such statement. However, I told Judge McDonald that if he, or anybody, would swear to a complaint, I would prosecute the case. No complaint was ever sworn to by McDonald, or anyone else. I believed then, as I believe now, that the whole thing was part of a scheme to blacken Nessey's character—other schemes having failed.

"When the grand jury was in session, I called the matter to the attention of the jury, and had Judge McDonald summoned as a witness. Judge McDonald, when asked by the grand jurors regarding the matter, said:

"Gentlemen, I have heard this charge, and I have investigated it. I found the only evidence that such a thing had occurred was the unsupported statement of H. K. James, a notorious criminal and ex convict, who had served two terms in the penitentiary at San Quentin, California, and whom I sentenced to the penitentiary at Walla Walla, where he now is. I advise you not to attempt to investigate it, for there is no evidence upon which to base the charge.

Continuing, Mr. Mathews said: "Those grand jurors are not dead and their affidavits to this statement can be obtained. I put Judge McDonald on record in this case, and the record can be sustained."

Nessey's Statement.

J. E. Nessey submit the following statement:

"The charge made by Judge McDonald is as false as it is absurd. The jail record shows that H. K. James, who, it is alleged, made these charges, was sent to the penitentiary at Walla Walla, April 21, 1897, and that is the time it is alleged he made the charge to Sheriff Sims against me. Yet I remained in the sheriff's office as office deputy and jailer until August 12 of the same year. The record also shows that Mary McDonald, the woman referred to in the case, was confined in the Whitman county jail from April 9 to April 19 on a charge of horse stealing. As far as the statement that I forced her into Leonard's cell, and locked the door, is concerned, it is a physical impossibility. She was too large and powerful for me to have handled.

"The only ground that I can imagine for such a story is the fact that, at her special request, I placed her in the corridor of the main cage in the men's ward of the jail, so that she could have access to the hot water for the purpose of washing some of her clothing. This was one day after the men had done their regular weekly washing. It was in broad daylight, and a number of prisoners were in the jail at the time.

"I am securing some affidavits from people who have never been in the asylum or penitentiary to substantiate these statements; and these will be made public when I get them."

SAYS MATHEWS PERVARICATES

Judge and His Bailiffs Tell Bad Stories On Him.

In answer to the statement made by Mathews, Judge McDonald has said that Mathews told him of Nessey's alleged offense after he returned from Walla Walla, and that he was present when the judge told Sims to discharge Nessey. That when he was called before the grand jury Mathews asked him if Nessey could be convicted of rape without testimony showing Leonard's assault upon the woman. The judge says he could not, of course, and that he so stated then; that Mathews never intimated that he thought Nessey innocent, and that in fact he made the remark before the grand jury that there was no doubt of his guilt, but there was a question as to the conviction. The judge says he called Mathews' attention many times to the matter and urged him to prosecute; that he stated it ought to be done, but was afraid he could not convict. The judge further says that Sims, often urged prosecution. Further, the judge avers that a few days before the last election Mathews said he would prosecute if re-elected.

C. B. Scott one of the court bailiffs, says he often heard Judge McDonald urge Mathews to prosecute Nessey; that his reply was that it ought to be done, but he was afraid he could not convict. R. E. Matlock, deputy under Sheriff Sims, says he was present when Sims accused Nessey of putting the woman in Leonard's cell, and that Nessey made no answer. Then Sims asked him why he did it and Nessey replied that he did so through sympathy for Leonard. Matlock says he has called the matter to Mathews attention several times, and has heard Judge McDonald do so.

John McDonald, brother of the judge and his court bailiff, has said that just present when the judge asked Mathews why he did not prosecute Nessey, and that his reply was that there was no doubt of Nessey's guilt, and that he should be prosecuted, but that if he should proceed at that time he feared defeat at the polls, as Nessey was correspondent of a Spokane paper and had been supporting him, but that, if he were re-elected, he would prosecute, because he believed it should be done.

What Prosecutor Says. Prosecuting Attorney Inman, when asked what he would do in the matter of these charges, said he had not been brought to his official attention and all he knew of them was hearsay. "But," said he, "if the charges are as

serious as I have heard, and there is any evidence to substantiate them after I have made a careful investigation, I shall certainly not be slow to file information. The evidence is all I want."

Marriage Licenses.

James E. Romine and Hattie R. Morrison, Farmington; Chas. M. Follis, Fallon, and Nellie Hoskins, Colfax; H. W. Peden, Beaman, Idaho, and Bessie J. Locke, Garfield; G. F. Pickell and Susan M. Buffington, Colfax; Philip J. Kinzer, Uniontown, and Gertrude Bosse, Kenterville, Idaho.

Poultry Show in February.

Arrangements are being made for a big poultry show, to be held in this city February 7 to 10, under the management of the Whitman County Poultry Association. It will be in every way better than that of last year, which was a highly successful one.

MEETING OF FRUIT MEN.

Will Be of Interest to Whitman County Orchardists.

Whitman county fruit growers should feel a deep interest in the Seventh Annual Convention of Northwest Fruit Growers' Association, which convenes at Tacoma January 16, continuing three days.

A cordial invitation is extended to all fruit growers, shippers, representatives of transportation companies, fruit commission merchants and all interested, to be present and take part in the proceedings of the convention.

The different problems which confront fruit growers can best be studied and solved to the mutual benefit of all by the combined wisdom and counsel of the growers, those in charge of transportation and by the merchants all working in harmony.

The subjects of co-operation and organization with a view of securing uniform packs are urgently of paramount importance. Essays and addresses by the eastern and the local fruit merchants by the representative of transportation companies and by station horticulturalist and leading orchardists will be given during the sessions which are deemed of utmost importance to our fruit interests. Growers are requested to take samples of fruits. One and one-fifth fare will be granted.

A poultry show will be held in Tacoma at the same time.

Defied the Judge.

The commissioners met Wednesday for the first session of the new year. Mr. Willard was absent on account of illness. The records were again "mutilated" by the board by cutting the fees of four physicians, Drs. Stubb, Benson, Harvey and Pocock, in two insanity cases from \$5 each to \$2.20 each, contrary to the orders of Judge McDonald. At press hour the names of 300 citizens were being drawn from the tax rolls to serve as jurors for the year.

To Argue Damage Cases.

M. O. Reed leaves Sunday for Olympia to argue the Doremus damage case against the O. R. & N. before the supreme court. Judgment in favor of Doremus was secured by Mr. Reed in the superior court for \$15,100. Prosecutor Inman and J. T. Brown also go to argue the Essler damage case against the county, and S. J. Chadwick goes to appear in the same case for Mrs. Essler, who secured judgment for \$2600.

Tax Money.

The amount of taxes received for by the treasurer during December was \$15,762.48 from 1893 up, and \$686.25 back of 1893. This latter goes into the current expense fund of the county. The total tax paid in for the year reaches \$276,873.38, exclusive of several thousands paid in for purchase of delinquency certificates. Money paid out for the month was \$23,638.56.

Gold on His Farm.

The Palouse Republic tells this chicken story: J. R. Cunningham, who lives on Duffield creek, a mile or so north of town, showed us this week a nugget of gold weighing over one dollar, taken from the crop of a chicken which he ate for Christmas dinner. He says a year ago a neighbor of his found a nugget in the same manner weighing over two dollars.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Daniel Frew visited Oakesdale Friday. A. Cohen of Tekoa was in the city Friday.

Hon. Willford Allen of Pullman was in the city Thursday.

Elmer Hall returned to his home on the Pend d'Oreille river, Friday.

Mrs. Anderson Wait of Elberton was a visitor in the city Wednesday.

Dr. G. W. Sutherland returned Friday to Boundary, after a holiday visit in the city.

M. O. Reed returned Friday from a visit to his mining property in the Seven Devils region.

Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Vermilye and son of Tacoma are visiting in the city, the guests of R. H. Vermilye and family.

Dr. and Mrs. C. S. Dwire of Oakesdale spent New Years with Mrs. Dwire's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Curry, in this city.

J. J. Humphrey, the well known banker, has been chosen as one of the directors of the Exchange National bank at Spokane.

P. B. Stravens and sister Miss Rena, were called to Portland Friday by a telegram announcing the serious illness of their father.

Dr. B. W. McPhee left Friday evening for Cincinnati on a business trip of a mining nature. He expects to be absent about a month.

A. G. Marion of the Second National Bank went to Spokane Sunday to meet his brother, who is a member of a Northern Pacific surveying crew.

Miss Mabel Stubb of Omaha, Neb., arrived in Colfax Sunday evening, and will visit for several weeks with the family of her brother, Dr. A. E. Stubb.

Mrs. R. L. McCroskey went to Portland Sunday evening. She will be joined at Portland next Sunday by Mr. McCroskey, when both will go to California for a stay of two months.

J. H. McTier and Misses Eliza and Anna McTier, who spent the holiday vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McTier near Colfax, have returned to their studies at the Cheney normal school.

Go to the Bee Hive for hosiery, gloves, handkerchiefs, etc.

CIRCLES OF FRATERNITY

Two Masonic Lodges and the Eastern Star Installed Their Officers.

Odd Fellows and Daughters of Rebekah Will Do the Same Tonight—Circle Social.

Both the Masonic lodges of the city, Amos and Hiram, and Washington Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, installed their new officers for the year Thursday night of last week. The installation was a joint one and the occasion one of note in fraternal circles.

Deputy Grand Master S. J. Chadwick was the installing officer for both Hiram and Amos lodges, while Mrs. Chadwick, grand matron of the same capacity for the chapter, acted in the same capacity for the chapter. The ceremonies were conducted with more than the usual impressiveness and were witnessed by a large number of the members of the orders and their families. The usual satisfying banquet was given at the hall at the conclusion of the ceremonies.

The officers of Amos lodge, No. 85, installed were: Julius Lippitt, worshipful master; E. W. Weinberg, senior warden; R. L. McCroskey, junior warden; P. F. Chadwick, secretary; Leon Kuhn, treasurer; Sam Boyer, senior deacon; W. M. Taylor, junior deacon; D. H. Shaw, tyler.

Officers of Hiram lodge, No. 21, were: E. C. Murray, worshipful master; D. Millgard, senior warden; E. H. Kirkland, junior warden; R. F. Banker, secretary; J. W. Herford, treasurer; John Pattison, senior deacon; R. H. Reid, junior deacon; D. H. Shaw, Sr., tyler.

Washington Chapter No. 16, Order of the Eastern Star, are: S. J. Chadwick, worthy patron; Mrs. S. Privett, associate matron; Mrs. H. Michaelson, conductress; Mrs. McIne, associate conductress. The five points of the star were: Mrs. Moore, Ada; Mrs. Chadwick, Ruth; Mrs. J. W. Cairns, Esther; Mrs. Erwin, Martha. Mrs. A. J. Davis is the matron-elect, but was not present for installation.

Colfax Lodge No. 14, I. O. O. F., and the Daughters of Rebekah will hold a joint installation tonight, followed by a social and orator supper.

Woodmen Circle held an ice cream and cake social Monday evening, at which a large number of members and their families thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Nathaniel Lyon Post No. 19, G. A. R. and the Women's Relief Corps will hold a joint installation of new officers Saturday night. A departure will be taken from the usual order by serving supper at 6 o'clock and having it cleared away before the installation ceremonies begin. Members of the G. A. R. and families, all old soldiers and members of the Relief Corps and families are expected to be present.

Officers of Athanean Assembly No. 73, United Artisans, were installed Thursday evening by District Deputy James P. Rogers of Spokane.

Cour d'Alene Lodge No. 12, Knights of Pythias, will install new officers next Wednesday night. Last Wednesday night a big initiation time was had by the Knights. A large number of visitors were down from Garfield. A royal spread was devoured at the Colfax hotel.

Lieutenant McFarlane.

John McFarlane of Colfax, who enlisted last summer in the Thirty-fifth infantry, it is reported, has won his way to a second lieutenantcy. Young McFarlane was a sergeant of Co. B at the time of his enlistment and is proving his soldier blood.

Smallpox at Moscow.

Several smallpox cases are reported from the vicinity of Moscow. But one of these is malignant, that of Abraham Mathes. All the cases are quarantined and every precaution possible is being taken to prevent a spread.

Bowing and Skating.

The bowling alley has been sold to Rutherford Bros. and will be removed to Republic. As an attraction to fill the void, Ortis Hamilton and John Housekeeper will open a roller skating rink soon at the armory.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The Whitman County Medical Society meets at Colfax next Monday.

C. E. Willoughby has vacated his position as clerk for Treasurer Windus.

Pat Lyons is in the toils, accused of the theft of a coat from Adam Kleveno near Matlock bridge.

A man named Coon has been bound over before a Pullman justice for complicity in the conduct of a "blind pig" at Guy.

J. S. Fuller of Texas City has applied to the commissioners for a saloon license at that place and deposited the necessary \$300 and bonds.

The circus to have been given Wednesday by the ladies of the Episcopal church, was postponed and will be given Thursday, January 11.

Diphtheria is again eradicated from Colfax. All cases were cured during the holidays, and the schools are again opened in every department Wednesday morning.

Hon. Chas. E. Cline, former speaker of the house of representatives during populist days, will lecture tonight at the courthouse and organize a direct legislation club.

George Boone, a carpenter of Pullman was relieved of a large cancer on the bowels at the hospital Sunday by Dr. Coffey of this city and Dr. Wilson of Pullman.

Two ears of hogs were shipped late last week from Colfax to Seattle. Farmers were paid four cents a pound for them. They were gathered up by Fred Brown and George Brooks.

Chas. Pierce was badly hurt by a falling horse while chasing a coyote in the Downing gulch country Monday. At last reports he was unconscious. He is about 60 years of age.

M. Smith, a former engineer at Codd's sawmill, died Monday from diabetes. His daughter, Miss Bessie Smith of Minneapolis, was wired, and she is expected here today to take the remains east.

Lost, Strayed or Stolen.

A black Cocker Spaniel dog, answering to the name of "Sport." Any information leading to his recovery will be liberally rewarded. Any one keeping said dog after the publication of this notice will be prosecuted. Jack McVeigh, at Ed. Harpole's saloon.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

Meetings still in progress at the Christian church, with growing interest. Dr. J. M. Allen of Spokane is doing the preaching. Audiences are large and frequent conversions. The bible lessons preceding the preaching are quite a feature of these meetings and great interest is taken in this bible work. The services begin at 7:30 sharp.

There will be the reception of new members at the Congregational church next Sunday morning, and the sacrament of the Lord's supper will be celebrated. Wednesday evening, January 10, the annual roll call and election of officers will be held. At this meeting reports of all departments of church work will be given.

United Presbyterian church.—Services as follows next Sabbath: At 11 a. m., "A Progressive Christian," preceded by sermon to children, "The Homesick Boy Finds Home," 7:30 p. m., "The World's Wisdom Searching After God." Special music in the evening. All are invited.

The annual congregational meeting of the members and adherents will be held at the United Presbyterian Church, on Monday, January 8th, at 1:30 p. m. Lunch will be served at half past twelve. Members will bring their own lunch, but coffee will be provided.

Rev. H. P. James of the Colfax Congregational church was present at the preachers' day meeting of the Spokane Congregational Club, held at Spokane last evening. He responded to the toast: "Worldwide Congregationalism."

At the Baptist church President Schlauch of Colfax college will preach next Sunday at 11 a. m., and the pastor will preach at 7:30 p. m. The subject in the evening will be: "Who is on the Lord's Side?"

Methodist Episcopal Church.—Revival! Revival! Rev. Fred St. Clair of Oregon is here. Hear him! Services every evening at 7:30. Special evangelistic services Sunday. Bring your friends. All welcome.

THE SOCIAL SIDE.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Woodward celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage on last Thursday evening by entertaining a large party of their friends. Drive whist was played and the evening passed very pleasantly. Mrs. R. F. Banker and Mr. Chas. A. Underwood had the largest scores and were awarded prizes, while the consolation prize went to Miss Johannessen. Refreshments were served and the latter part of the evening spent in conversation. All heartily wished Mr. and Mrs. Woodward many happy returns of the day.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Du Vall gave a musicale at their home Saturday evening, at which a number of friends were handsomely entertained. Among those present was Prof. Cogswell, instructor in music at the University of Idaho.

Miss Lena Hamilton entertained a large party of her young friends and schoolmates New Years night with a progressive croquet party. Music and dancing were also on the list, and a general good time was experienced.

BORN.

Oakesdale, December 28, to Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Talley, a son.

Thornton, December 27, to Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Kuehl, a daughter.

MARRIED.

Colton, December 27, Henry Fagan and Annie Keck of Palouse.

Genesee, Idaho, December 28, Walter Savage of Uniontown and Gertrude McGregor.

Unclaimed Letters.

List of letters remaining unclaimed for in the Colfax postoffice, January 5, 1900: Burns, Jack; Lawrence, Nick; Brown, Mrs. M.; Mader, Mrs. E. M.; Bratton, Will H.; Myers, L. M.; Beale, W. B.; McCullough, Lizzie; Combs, Mr.; Peters, Robert; Couelly, G. C.; Rimer, J. W.; Colvin, G.; Rice, Fred; Cole, C. C.; Rose, E. C.; Chandler, Jay (3); St. Clair, Robt.; Hughs, J. M.; Hughs, Thos.; Hunler, Arthur E.; Wayner, C. L.; King, O. B.; Willis, Frank. One cent postage will be collected. JAMES EWART, P. M.

Coal Famine in England.

The British government is threatened with a coal famine, the most serious development of recent weeks. Unless the situation improves, many industrial concerns depending on the coal supply may have to suspend operations before February, as their margin of profit is rapidly being wiped out. The root of the trouble appears to be the withdrawal of so many colliers to take their places in the service. Wages have gone up, but labor is hard to find.

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Jan. 2, 1900.

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Every day in the week and every hour in the day finds men and women in Hinchliff's C. O. D. Store who have been under the force of habit of paying Credit prices for goods—throwing down dollars where cents buy the same articles under the C. O. D. system.

Only the other day this was forcibly illustrated when two prominent citizens, one a business man, the other a newspaper man as usual(?) loaded with "dough," each ordering goods. The force of our prices astonished them so that it forced them to remark, "There is a noticeable difference between Cash and Credit buying."

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