

CHARGE THE MARSHAL

Serious Allegations Against Head of Police Force.

Investigation Provided For, But Complainants Excused Themselves From Appearance.

Rumors current for some time of improper and insulting conduct on the part of City Marshal Weinberg toward certain female residents of the city culminated Monday in the filing with the city council of charges against that official and asking that the matters complained of be investigated. The charges filed were as follows:

Serious Complaints.

Colfax, Feb. 18.—To the Mayor and Councilmen of Colfax: I hereby certify that on the eve of the 24th of January, when on my way home from church, Mr. Weinberg treated me in an ungentlemanly manner, and I hereby ask that you investigate the matter.

Mrs. CLARA J. DAVIS.

Colfax, Feb. 18.—To the Mayor and Councilmen of Colfax: I hereby certify that on the evening of January 20 and January 27, when on my way home from church, Mr. Weinberg treated me in an improper manner, and I now ask that the matter be investigated.

Mrs. M. G. BARGER.

The matter coming up at the meeting Monday evening, it was decided that the council, acting as a committee of the whole, should conduct an investigation the following Wednesday evening, behind closed doors, and the complainants were notified to attend and testify.

The committee met at the appointed time, but the complainants did not appear, alleging in signed statements which were filed that the conditions under which the investigation was to be held were such that it would be useless to appear, for reasons set out in the statements, a copy of which follows:

Reasons For Not Appearing.

To the Honorable Mayor and Council of the City of Colfax, Whitman County, State of Washington:

Gentlemen: I acknowledge the receipt of your notification of recent date, requesting me to be present, at a special meeting of the city council of Colfax, to be held on the evening of the 20th day of February, 1901, to prosecute the charge made by me against the present city marshal.

In reply thereto I must say, that, owing to the conditions under which I would unavoidably be placed at such trial, I must respectfully decline to obey your notification for the following reasons:

1st. As the city council has not the authority to compel the attendance of witnesses nor administer oaths, in any trial held before the said council I should be deprived of the testimony of witnesses who might refuse to attend, and any witness who might testify falsely could not be prosecuted for perjury.

2nd. My appeal to the city council was made, only after an application by myself and several others to the prosecuting attorney of Whitman county, and upon his absolute refusal to file an information in the superior court or to accompany me to the justice of the peace and file a complaint, or even to hear from me a statement of the facts in the matter.

3rd. I am informed that the proposed trial or investigation, on the said 20th day of February, 1901, by vote of the council, is to be secret, and while I do not question the right of the council to take such a course, yet the character of the peace officers of the city, and the protection of the citizens are of vital importance to every resident of the city, and in the present matter I have nothing to conceal, but I want the fullest and most thorough investigation, subject to the conditions above stated.

Degree of Charges Raised.

4th. I hereby state that on the evening of the 20th day of January, 1901, while on my way home from church, and while near my home in the City of Colfax, I was assaulted by E. W. Weinberg, the present city marshal of the city of Colfax, and again on the evening of the 27th day of January, 1901, while on my way home from church, the said E. W. Weinberg attempted to accompany me home, and I believe was prevented from again assaulting me only upon my assurance that I should call for help.

Mrs. M. G. BARGER.

Dated the 20th day of February, 1901. The statement of Mrs. Davis is identical with the above, with the exception of the closing paragraph, which reads as follows:

"4th. I hereby state that on the evening of the 24th day of January, 1901, while on my way home from church, being alone, while in the public street of Colfax, near the old Catholic church, I was overtaken and assaulted by E. W. Weinberg, the present marshal of the city of Colfax."

After the reading of the statements, City Marshal Weinberg made a statement in his own behalf, and the committee passed upon the matter by directing that the statements filed be returned to the respective writers, which has been done.

The Gazette deprecates the existence of a condition that makes these charges possible, and believes that the interests, not only of the persons immediately concerned, but the community at large, demand that the matter be fully investigated and disposed of according to its merits and the findings. With the principals, as The Gazette is informed, standing in the position of courting and demanding the fullest investigation, it would appear that such necessary and desirable action could be secured. Let the cloud lift.

Council Notes.

A bill of \$19.35 from the National Iron works of Spokane, for services of a machinist to inspect the pump of the water system, was ordered paid. The fire and water committee reported progress on the proposition of repairing the city pump, and were granted further time.

The street and light committee reported the head of the Canyon street flume in need of repair or extension, in order to prevent closing of the mouth by rocks and debris during heavy rains and thus flooding Main street. The committee was authorized to take such action as may be necessary.

Health Officer Stubb reported the quarantining February 6 of Vira,

daughter of G. W. Palmer, because of scarletina.

A bond of \$1000 offered by Baker & Nesbitt, plumbers, was accepted and their application for a license granted.

Street Commissioner Kasdorf reported the need of tiling for the purpose of draining flooded localities in the rear of the warehouses.

The opening of a street from Last street north, in the rear of the depot warehouses, was talked and agreed to, providing the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company, which owns the land over which the proposed street will run will grant right of way.

The Colfax Gazette bid for city printing, 25 cents an inch for each insertion, was accepted for the unexpired term ending July 1.

SWIFT RIDE DOWN HILL.

Will Williams Had Narrow Escape in a Runaway.

Will Williams, a farmer living seven miles north of Colfax, was badly cut up and had a miraculous escape from worse injury, if not death, in a runaway Thursday morning. He was descending Canyon hill on the Palouse road with the running gears of a wagon, on the bolsters of which were laid a set of dump boards for a gravel bed. Near the top of the hill the boards slipped forward onto the horses. Though a gentle team, the animals began kicking and ran. At the outset Mr. Williams was thrown forward astride the tongue. He retained his hold upon the reins and rode in this position all the way down the rough and rocky grade, with the team running like mad. When Main street was reached the driver attempted to turn the flying team down the street to prevent them running over the bank into the South Palouse, but a few yards straight ahead. The turn was not made quite soon enough and the outfit crashed into a telephone pole in front of The Gazette office, breaking the tongue and reach out of the wagon, while the team careered on with the double trees, finally straddling a telephone pole farther down the street and ending up unhurt.

As the short turn was made the driver was thrown from his perilous position, just before the pole was collided with, and rolled 15 or 20 feet to the sidewalk in front of the engine house. He sustained several severe but not dangerous injuries—a kick on the left leg, cut back of the left temple, over the right eye, on the right arm and back of the head.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Visitors, and especially parents, are invited to Mrs. Morgan's room of the city schools this afternoon, Friday, which is parents' day, that they may witness the work and progress made.

The Chinese New Year was ushered in at 7 o'clock Sunday evening with the snap of fire crackers and the boom of bombs. Monday was a day of feasting and good cheer in the Chinese quarters, and the celebration did not come to an end for two or three days.

Clerk Bramwell is prepared for the registration of voters for the year. The rush for enrollment is not pressing. Electors should register early and thus avoid chance of losing their votes.

Davis & Moffatt sold Wednesday to Dr. J. F. Hall of Guy 320 acres of land adjoining the Ackerman place on Alkali for \$2700. The deal was made through Eacho, Larue & Co.

The sheriff's office was notified Wednesday night of a jail break at Moscow at the supper hour that evening. Three prisoners escaped, and at last reports, had not been recaptured.

The field deputy assessors, 24 in number, will begin their work Monday, March 4.

A petition to the legislature for the enactment of a dispensary liquor law is being circulated at Colfax and is being numerously signed.

Carter & Manela, proprietors of the Bee Hive store, have made an assignment for the benefit of their creditors, all of whom are foreign. The liabilities are \$1834. The store was closed Tuesday evening.

Lent began Wednesday and for forty days and forty nights there will be a season of social fasting.

G. A. Draper of near Elberton sold a Poland China hog, 25 months old, to W. L. Schmidt Wednesday, which weighed, dressed, 434 pounds. At 5 1/2 cents a pound it brought him \$23.85.

Fifty-eight teachers attended the teachers' examination held in this city and closing Saturday. It will be several weeks before the gradings are received.

It is announced from Harrisburg, Oregon, that F. M. Busby, a former resident of the Four Mile country, has purchased David Busey's farm on Lake Creek, near that place, for \$7000.

The reported sale of the Fair store several weeks ago has fallen through and it will remain under the management of Mr. Woodin.

James A. Perkins was Thursday appointed executor of the will and estate of the late George Pangburn, who died suddenly at Edicott recently. Bonds of \$20,000 were given.

John Ertle, a pioneer farmer near Diamond, was kicked Wednesday by a horse. His right shoulder blade was broken, and his arm will be useless for several weeks.

Not Fit for the Place.

The appointment by the county commissioners of Ed Short of Elberton to succeed S. E. Coffin as superintendent of the poor farm raised loud and angry objections from a number of the citizens of Elberton. Commissioners Hinchliff and Klemgard went up to that town Wednesday to learn the whys and the wherefores, which they found to be that the Elberton people did not consider their appointee a fit man for the position. The commissioners say, however, that they will give him a trial.

Will Go Boring for Oil.

J. B. Brown returned Wednesday from the Rock Lake country and reports considerable oil and gas excitement in that region. He was informed while there that two or three well boring outfits would be put in operation at various points in the belt in the near future to determine the extent and value of the supposed oil and gas reservoirs underlying the country. Mr. Brown brought home a lump of bright yellow rock of a resinous nature which burns brilliantly. It was found at the Rhoades place near the bank of Rock Lake.

Wanted—Girl for general housework, small family. Apply at Gazette office.

DIED IN A CARRIAGE.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Silkworth, who recently left Colfax, are at San Diego, Calif. They expect to remain in California.

Miss Eliza Lyman of Huntington, Mass., arrived Friday at Colfax, for an indefinite visit with her cousins, A. E. and E. H. Kirkland. The cousins had not met for 25 years. The lady is favorably impressed with the west, and the Palouse country in particular.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Winfree, now residents of Spokane, spent a few days of last week among Colfax friends.

Harry Eaton, well known at Colfax, who has been bookkeeper at Spokane for the McCormick Harvesting Machine Company, has been transferred to Portland where he will be a territory man under the Portland general agency.

E. H. Hilton, recently from Kalispell, Montana, has accepted a position as pharmacist with the Colfax Drug Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Kuhn, Mrs. Herman Kaminski and Misses Ruth Grostein and Rena Kuhn left Wednesday evening for New York, from where they will sail March 5 on the German steamer Kaiser Gross der Wilhelm for a tour of Europe.

Superior Judge Chadwick returned Wednesday from Dayton, where he presided in a few cases in Judge Miller's court.

W. B. McKenzie, an old-time implement dealer at Colfax, was in the city during the week. His headquarters are now at Spokane.

Mr. and Mrs. Alwin Schmidt returned Saturday from a European tour of several months. They stopped several weeks at Cincinnati on their way home.

Rev. H. P. James returned Saturday from Walla Walla, where he visited Mrs. James and daughters.

Nick Codd made a business trip to Spokane Saturday.

Mrs. James Woodley is confined to her home with illness.

Judge E. K. Hanna has so far recovered from his late long and serious illness as to again take up the practice of his profession of the law.

Mrs. Nettie Dumdi went to Spokane Wednesday afternoon on business connected with the Women's Relief Corps. From there she will go to Coeur d'Alene City for a visit with her son Charles and bride.

Hon. W. L. LaFollette, the big fruit-grower of Wawawai, was in the city Tuesday.

C. F. Stuart, proprietor of the Colfax drug store, is seriously but not dangerously ill from a gathering in the head. Mrs. Stuart is also sick from the same ailment.

Deputy Sheriff J. H. Davis has removed his family to this city from Palouse and will reside on Railroad avenue.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

Rev. H. P. James was in Spokane yesterday attending a meeting of the Home Missionary Committee of the Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho Congregational Association.

The second lecture on "Night Scenes in the Life of Our Lord," will be delivered by the pastor at the United Presbyterian church next Sabbath evening at 7:30. The subject is "A Night of Glory." Morning service at 11. Topic, "Christ's Liberty." C. E. at 6:30. All are cordially welcome.

Services at Good Samaritan church during Lent will be as follows: Wednesdays and Fridays at 4:15 p. m. Services next Sunday: Holy communion, 11 a. m.; evening prayer, 7:30 p. m. Everyone invited to all the services.

The subject for the Christian Science lesson sermon for February 24 is, "Christ Jesus." Golden text: Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.—Judge, verse 21. Responsive reading, 2 John, 1:11. All are welcome.

THE SOCIAL SIDE.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Moffatt gave a farewell party Monday evening at their home to Mrs. Aaron Kuhn, Mrs. H. Kaminski, Miss Ruth Grostein and Miss Rena Kuhn, prior to their departure Wednesday evening for Europe. Besides the guests of honor there were present Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Woodward, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Canfield, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Schmidt and Herman Kaminsky.

The evening was pleasantly spent at drive whist, Mrs. Woodward and Mr. Kaminsky capturing prizes. Dainty refreshments were served.

Merry Minstrelsy.

The Richards and Pringle's Minstrelsy will present a mammoth bill of merry minstrelsy at the Opera House, Wednesday evening, Feb. 27. This season the organization numbers forty performers and presents a choice collection of mirth-provoking and novel acts never seen here before. The whole bill is a "scream" from beginning to end. The company travels in its own train of private special cars, carries a magnificent orchestra, two brass bands and stylish English dog-carts drawn by Kentucky thoroughbreds, all of which are seen in its attractive street parades, taking place every day at 2:30 p. m. Prices 50c, 75c, \$1.

Smallpox in Camp.

A report reached town Wednesday that a well developed case of smallpox had appeared in the railroad construction camp of R. J. Lizee & Co. in Big Canyon, a few miles this side of Riparia. The afflicted man is said to be a tramp. There are 60 men employed in the camp and great alarm is felt among them. Commissioner Hinchliff and Dr. A. E. Stubb left Thursday to investigate the conditions.

A Coming Marriage.

Announcement has been made of the coming marriage of Elmer E. Bellinger of the county treasurer's office and Miss Mary Pocock, second daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. N. Pocock, to be solemnized at this city February 28.

Marriage Licenses.

George W. Hampton and Nancy E. Coryell, Colfax; Rudolf Rosenkranz, St. John, and Amelia Merbs, Diamond; John Neiertz and Bertha Snider, LaCrosse.

The Lucky Man Gets a Barrel of Whiskey.

The largest cask of whiskey ever shipped into Washington has been shipped to Wm. Schluting of this town, and is now on exhibition at his place, check fall of Old Harper. It is the same Old Harper that was awarded Gold Medal at the Paris Exposition, also awarded Gold Medal at the Centennial Exposition, New Orleans, in '84, and at the World's Fair, Chicago, in '93. The person guessing the nearest to the exact contents of this monster cask will be presented with a handsome souvenir barrel containing five gallons of this same Old Whiskey.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Silkworth, who recently left Colfax, are at San Diego, Calif. They expect to remain in California.

Miss Eliza Lyman of Huntington, Mass., arrived Friday at Colfax, for an indefinite visit with her cousins, A. E. and E. H. Kirkland. The cousins had not met for 25 years. The lady is favorably impressed with the west, and the Palouse country in particular.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Winfree, now residents of Spokane, spent a few days of last week among Colfax friends.

Harry Eaton, well known at Colfax, who has been bookkeeper at Spokane for the McCormick Harvesting Machine Company, has been transferred to Portland where he will be a territory man under the Portland general agency.

E. H. Hilton, recently from Kalispell, Montana, has accepted a position as pharmacist with the Colfax Drug Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Kuhn, Mrs. Herman Kaminski and Misses Ruth Grostein and Rena Kuhn left Wednesday evening for New York, from where they will sail March 5 on the German steamer Kaiser Gross der Wilhelm for a tour of Europe.

Superior Judge Chadwick returned Wednesday from Dayton, where he presided in a few cases in Judge Miller's court.

W. B. McKenzie, an old-time implement dealer at Colfax, was in the city during the week. His headquarters are now at Spokane.

Mr. and Mrs. Alwin Schmidt returned Saturday from a European tour of several months. They stopped several weeks at Cincinnati on their way home.

Rev. H. P. James returned Saturday from Walla Walla, where he visited Mrs. James and daughters.

Nick Codd made a business trip to Spokane Saturday.

Mrs. James Woodley is confined to her home with illness.

Judge E. K. Hanna has so far recovered from his late long and serious illness as to again take up the practice of his profession of the law.

Mrs. Nettie Dumdi went to Spokane Wednesday afternoon on business connected with the Women's Relief Corps. From there she will go to Coeur d'Alene City for a visit with her son Charles and bride.

Hon. W. L. LaFollette, the big fruit-grower of Wawawai, was in the city Tuesday.

C. F. Stuart, proprietor of the Colfax drug store, is seriously but not dangerously ill from a gathering in the head. Mrs. Stuart is also sick from the same ailment.

Deputy Sheriff J. H. Davis has removed his family to this city from Palouse and will reside on Railroad avenue.

BORN.

Uniontown, to Prof. and Mrs. W. M. Savage, a son.

Uniontown, February 8, to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Haupt, a daughter.

Uniontown, February 10, to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fuchs, a son.

Penawawa, February 20, to Mr. and Mrs. Jay B. Cram, a daughter.

Colfax, February 20, to Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Needham, a son.

MARRIED.

Uniontown, February 12, John Jacobs and Miss Lena Fleischman.

Colfax, February 20, by Justice E. D. Lake, George W. Hampton and Nancy E. Coryell, both of Colfax.

DIED.

Pullman, February 10, Donovan, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Greenwalt, from whooping cough.

Spring Plat, February 19, infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Nick Newton. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday by Rev. H. P. James, interment being in the Crampton cemetery.

The greatest danger from colds and grippe is their resulting in pneumonia. If reasonable care is used, however, and Chamberlain's Cough Remedy taken, all danger will be avoided. It will cure a cold or an attack of the grippe in less time than any other treatment. It is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all druggists.

DYSPEPSIA CAN BE CURED BY USING Acker's Dyspepsia Tablets. One little tablet will give immediate relief or money refunded. Sold in handsome tin boxes at 25 cts. The Elk Drugstore.

If you want insurance, or a collection promptly made, call on Eacho, Larue & Co., the real estate hustlers.

Girl wanted for general housework. Apply to Mrs. Ivan Chase, South Colfax.

I will have plenty of bee supplies for sale in season. I. B. Harris.

Highest price paid for beef hides by I. B. Harris.

INSURE with H. W. Goff.



For Sale or Trade

One dark bay Clydesdale Stallion, weight 1900 lbs. Will take good geldings in trade.

Joseph MacEachern,
Oakesdale, Wash.

MONEY TO LOAN on Farms

Reduced Rates. No Delay. Save Agents' Commission.

—WRITE—
M. CORBET, Spokane, Wash.

WANTED!

Reliable man for Manager of Branch Office to wish to open in this vicinity. If your mind is O. K. here is an opportunity. Kindly give good reference when writing.

THE A. T. MORRIS WHOLESALE HOUSE
CINCINNATI, OHIO.

Illustrated catalogue 4 cents in stamps.

Look for Lippitt's advertisement next week. You can't miss it, on the first page.

JULIUS LIPPITT
The Pioneer Merchant. - Colfax, Wash.

Agent for the Cosmopolitan Patterns. Any pattern you select 10 cents. Mail Orders promptly attended to.

WATCHES

We are displaying a Fine Assortment of Watches.

These watches are of durable material, good timekeepers, built for hard handling, and will retain their good looks and their accuracy for years. Prices start at \$2.50.

City Jewelry Store.
M. A. ROSE.

It will pay you to examine

CARLEY'S ROLLER FEED MILL

Before investing your money in a Chop Mill. Some of its features:

No Burrs to Wear Out. No Gears. Only Six Bearings.

Mills specially adapted to wind mill power. All sizes up to 3 1/2 tons capacity per hour.

Manufactured by **CARLEY IRON WORKS**, Colfax, Wash.

WOOD! COEY MERCANTILE CO.
ROCKFORD, WASH.,

Can fill all orders for Wood on short notice.

Best Grade \$2.75, Buckskin \$2.25 per cord, by carload

Subscribe for your Magazines and Newspapers through The Gazette and save money.

Phone, Main 35.

COLFAX GROCERY CO.

J. D. HAGAN, Proprietor.
FRED M. COLEMAN, Mgr.

Wall Street, between Main and Mill

Printing

Be sure you know what you want and then give your order to the firm who knows how to satisfy your desires.

Bramwell Bros.
Colfax, Wash.

Work Ready When Promised

MURRAY & SILER
(Successors to Codd & MacKenzie)

The largest dealers in

COAL and WOOD

In the Palouse Country.

We cut and sell our own timber, which enables us to furnish wood cheaper than any one else. Special rates on car lots or large quantities.

The Best Fuel Full Measure
Honest Weight Prompt Delivery

are points that enter into all of our transactions. We are busy, but have the facilities and will fill your orders at once.

Telephone, Main 2.

BOX PAPERS

of good quality continue to find favor with people of good taste and judgment, and we invite their inspection of our line, which includes the most approved shades and styles, at prices ranging from 25c a box upward.

CHAS. KENNEL, P. O. Store.

Fine Candies, Stationery, Books and Notions.

Pioneer Drug Store,
W. J. HAMILTON, Propr.

Prescription Work a Specialty.

A complete stock of
Drugs, Medicines, Chemicals,
Soaps, Brushes, Perfumeries,
Paints, Oils, Glass,
Notions, Books, Stationery.

Telephone No. 37. Main Street, Colfax

PLUMBING

The undersigned have bought the tools, stock and plumbing business of John B. Brown and will continue the same at the old stand on Main street. We solicit a share of the patronage in our line, guaranteeing satisfaction.

BAKER & NESBITT.

GEO. L. CORNELIUS

Lock and Sewing Machines
Gunsmith. Guns and Ammunition.

All Kinds of Repairing.

COLFAX
Marble and Granite Works
D. MILLGARD & CO. Proprietors.

Monuments, Headstones, Tablets
All Kinds of Cemetery Work.
Call and see samples. Wall Street

JACOB URECH
has taken the agency for

SELICH BROS.' CLOTHING HOUSE
IN SAN FRANCISCO.

Orders taken for Suits at lowest prices.

WANTED!

Reliable man for Manager of Branch Office to wish to open in this vicinity. If your mind is O. K. here is an opportunity. Kindly give good reference when writing.

THE A. T. MORRIS WHOLESALE HOUSE
CINCINNATI, OHIO.

Illustrated catalogue 4 cents in stamps.