

MRS. WELDON HOLDS TO HER STATEMENT

In Face of District Attorney Manning's Denial Declares That She Received Word to Call at His Office.

Notwithstanding the denial of District Attorney Manning, Mrs. Lydia Marks Weldon, from whose millinery store at 213 Third street Robert Lucas stole a hat early last November, reiterated today her statement made to the Journal yesterday that a man representing himself to be from Manning's office not only called on her at her home, 674 East Sixteenth street, but left a slip of paper on which was a written request for her to appear that day at Manning's office. Lucas was released from a year's term in the county jail upon representation by the district attorney's office that the prosecuting witnesses were out of the city.



ROBERT LUCAS.

"I was sick when the man rang the bell, and as I at first thought him an agent, did not answer the door," said Mrs. Weldon. "It was either Monday or Tuesday a week ago or two weeks ago, that he came. He rang the bell very persistently, and finally I came down. As I reached the front door I saw a slip of paper under it, which I picked up and read. It said: 'Come to Manning's office in the Chamber of Commerce building Monday.'"

"As I opened the door to admit the man he had turned to go. Upon addressing me he said he was from District Attorney Manning's office and asked if there was any show to get Lucas out of the county jail. I replied that I thought Lucas was where he belonged, and desired to see him remain there. The man then went away."

"The man was between 25 and 30 years of age, was smooth shaven, about 5 feet 10 inches tall, of dark complexion, had brown eyes and was attired in dark clothes."

James in the Directory.
"When he left he gave me no intimation that Lucas was to be turned loose and I was therefore very much surprised when I read in the Journal of that fact, and more so to see that Manning said the witnesses could not be found, as he must have known they were in the city. Our names are all in the city directory, and mine appears in the telephone book also."

"The morning after the release I called up Mr. Manning and expressed surprise and regret over the matter. Manning replied that he was sorry, but it was too late to do anything."

"When I took him to task for stating in the paper that the witnesses were not here, he said he was very sorry, but there was nothing that could be done; that Lucas was released, and that settled it."

"I will say that had the proper methods been used, and had I been notified and asked about the matter, and had it been a case where a young man was serving his first term and had never been in trouble before, I would have given my consent to his release. But I knew that Lucas had served time in a penitentiary; that he had been in various scrapes here and I wanted to see him prosecuted. He should have served out his time."

The Court's View.
"I never heard of a case before where a prisoner was released and apparent facts developed as in this case," said John B. Cleland, presiding judge of the state circuit court. "The district attorney appeared and moved the discharge of the prisoner, and the court had no other alternative than to discharge him. Of course, the court could not know of the presence of witnesses, and in all such cases the word of the district attorney is taken. If the witnesses were in the city, as stated in the Journal last night, it is clearly the business of the district attorney to know if before a case is dismissed."

"The case against Lucas was so strong and his record so black that I favored the filing of a felony charge against him," said Municipal Judge Hogue. "But he had been put in jeopardy before I was aware of the facts in the case, and then the misdemeanor charge could not be changed to a felony information. The facts were so strong that I had no hesitancy in giving the defendant the limit, inasmuch as he had escaped the felony charge."

Robert Lucas is a Portland boy and was a member of the Goose Hollow gang. "Chick" Houghton was its leader for a long time and several of its members have been imprisoned for various crimes. Lucas himself served a term in the Idaho penitentiary together with Fred Love, another Portland resident, for robbery. He also served in the Vancouver county jail for vagrancy and for carrying concealed weapons.

Lucas was seen in the noon and last night by Detective Lou Hartman. Herman Schneider, chief office clerk for Sheriff Storey, said: "This office

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RUSHING TRAINS MEET IN SOUTH

AT LEAST FOUR DEAD AND MANY SERIOUSLY INJURED AS RESULT OF COLLISION BETWEEN EXPRESS AND FREIGHT NEAR BIRMINGHAM.

(Journal Special Service.)
Birmingham, Ala., March 8.—The southbound limited express on the Queen & Crescent road from Cincinnati running at 60 miles an hour collided head-on at 8 o'clock this morning with a northbound Southern railway freight on the joint track of the two roads near Kewakee, Miss. The known dead are Engineer Larkin and Fireman Bank of the limited and mail clerks Riggs and Nicholson. The missing are baggage-master Hinds, mail weigher, name unknown. The fatally injured are Engineer Casey and the fireman of the freight. Express messenger Hinds is badly hurt. The mail, the baggage and the coach and the freight train were burned. The mail clerks were cremated. The officials assert that no passengers were killed. A big force of surgeons is on the scene.

SPARRING FOR TIME

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until 9 o'clock every evening this week. Next Monday will be the last day for registering before the primaries, and at 8 o'clock that afternoon the books will close for voters living in the city and will not reopen until after the primaries are over. There will be no interruption in the registering of voters from the country precincts, but as it is not necessary for them to register before the primaries the county clerk is desirous that they should register until after the primaries are over. By so doing they will lessen the work of the office and at the same time will avoid the delay incident to registering now. After the primaries are over voters will still have two months in which to enroll their names for the purpose of voting at the June election, for registration does not finally close until May 15.

Matthews at Headquarters.
Ever since the campaign began the Mitchell Republicans have been earnestly striving to get the general belief that Jack Matthews, the ex-boss, is one of the directing spirits in the councils of that faction. His political methods have brought him into such disrepute that it was essential to the success of the Mitchell cause to keep him absolutely in the background. In a published address to the voters, Judge Carey goes so far as to say that "the many hundred Republicans who have visited the Republican headquarters at 220 Sherlock building during the campaign are able to testify that Mr. Matthews has never been present there, and that he has taken no part in the contest now before our people."

The Mitchell headquarters in the Sherlock building consist of two rooms, an outer office, which is room 220, and an inner office occupied by Judge Carey, which is room 221. While Jack Matthews may not have visited room 220, he has visited room 221, as those who have seen him there "are able to testify."

POLYGAMY THE RULE
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service. The witness said he lived with both wives who had separate homes in Richmond, Utah. At the time of the second marriage his home was with his mother, his father was on "underground," that is, in hiding because of persecutions going on for polygamy. So far as he knew his father did not know he had a wife already when he was married by him to the woman he calls his legal wife. His father had six wives, he had 20 brothers and 17 sisters. He did not know how many nephews and nieces he had, probably 100. Three of his brothers had married plural wives, two sisters had married into polygamous families. His father lives with his first wife and the come of his mother once a month. "Father is a very busy man," he added.

Charles Merrill, son of an apostle, testified he was the son of his father's third plural wife and himself a polygamist. He was first married in 1887 to a wife who died in 1892. In 1893 he married Chloe Hendricks by whom he had five children. In 1888 he married Anna Stoddard by whom he had four children and was living with her when he married Chloe Hendricks, whom he called his legal wife. Merrill said: "I now have two wives and is cohabiting with both. He denied that the woman he married in 1888 is his legal wife, explaining that when he married in 1888 he had a wife living and that he understood that under the laws that marriage is now legal. Therefore his marriage in 1891 after the death of his first wife in 1889 made the last marriage legal."

ENTIRE FAMILY CHOOSES DEATH
(Journal Special Service.)
Berlin, March 8.—Lieutenant Beske, retired, with his wife, daughter, and two sons, all living in a fashionable villa in Wilhelmstrasse, was found dead from poison today. The unsatisfactory state of family affairs is believed to have driven the family to suicide.

NEW COMPLICATIONS IN THE FAR EAST
(Journal Special Service.)
Berlin, March 8.—The Morgenpost reports that Albanian rebels have annihilated a Turkish battalion of 600 men at Diakovica, Central Albania.

APPROPRIATIONS GROW IN SIZE
(Journal Special Service.)
Washington, March 8.—Senator Perkins from the committee on appropriations reported today the fortifications bill. The total amount appropriated is \$7,637,192, an increase of \$500,000 over the house bill.

In the house Gilbert, Democrat, Ky., amid applause withdrew the charge made by him in a recent speech that General Davis, recently nominated to the Isthmian commission, sold rice to the natives of the Philippines to his own profit.

DE YOUNG'S NEPHEW KILLS HIMSELF
(Journal Special Service.)
San Francisco, March 8.—Pierre Jacobs, nephew of M. H. DeYoung, proprietor of the Chronicle, committed suicide last night by inhaling illuminating gas. He was despondent over financial troubles.

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REWARD OFFERED FOR MISSING WIFE

RAFAELO MANTELLO SAYS HE WILL GIVE \$50 FOR INFORMATION AS TO THE WHEREABOUTS OF RUN-AWAY SPOUSE AND MAN HE THINKS WENT WITH HER.

Rafaelo Mantello today offered a reward of \$50 for information that may lead to the discovery of the whereabouts of his wife, Rosina, and Frank Patestio, with whom he believes she has eloped. Mrs. Mantello and a boarder fled from her home yesterday, as published in the Journal, leaving her 18-month-old baby. At the same time Frank Patestio who, with his nephew Joseph, has been boarding with the Mantellos, at 187 Lincoln street, also vanished, together with \$85 of Mantello's savings.

Joseph Patestio, the younger man who left the Mantello home at the same time with his uncle, was seen yesterday afternoon by Joseph Morak, who is in search of the runaway wife. Patestio denied that he knew where his uncle and Mrs. Mantello were. He refused to tell where he himself is staying. He has not been seen since.

"I believe that Frank Patestio and Mrs. Mantello are still in the city," said Joseph Morak today. "I have taken the precaution, however, to telegraph descriptions of both all over the state, and expect to have no trouble in locating them. There is no one to care for Mantello's baby, and we shall probably send it to the Patton home."

BETTER SERVICE FOR JACKSONVILLE

(Washington Bureau of the Journal.)
Washington, March 8.—On the recommendation of Senator Mitchell the post-office department has ordered the establishment at an early date of a star route service between Medford and Jacksonville, in addition to the railroad service. The new service will insure the delivery of mail from night trains into Jacksonville by 8 a. m., an advance of four hours over the present arrangement.

MUCH ACTIVITY IN ROSEBURG POLITICS

(Journal Special Service.)
Roseburg, Or., March 8.—The Democratic county central committee met here today. It was decided to have the county convention meet April 16, and the primaries one week earlier. The Republican county central committee meets March 12.



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MOB METES OUT SWIFT JUSTICE

(Journal Special Service.)
Springfield, Ohio, March 8.—A mob of 1,000 citizens took the negro Richard Dixon, who killed Officer Collins Sunday, from the jail here last night and shot him in the jail yard. Later the body was hung on a telegraph pole and riddled with bullets, the mob using the body as a target for half an hour or more.

Officer Collins was killed by Dixon at the latter's room. The negro fired at Anna Corbin, a woman he had been in trouble with before, and when the officer endeavored to arrest him the negro fatally wounded him.

The mob gathered through the afternoon and the general opinion expressed on the street was that the negro would escape with a light sentence, as he had before.

The crowd increased through the evening and by 11 o'clock was ready for blood. A rush was made on the jail by 1,000 men and boys and the authorities, who had begun to believe that no

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