

FERGUSON IS AFTER HOUSTON

Investigation Not Based Upon Filled Charges

IS NOT YET CONCLUDED

Houston Claims Official Acts are Straight

Guthrie, O. T., May 12.—Governor T. B. Ferguson and members of the Territorial Board for Leasing School Land, are making a rigid examination of matters relating to the official acts of Secretary James J. Houston...

Governor Ferguson has summoned a number of persons before him who are supposed to know facts concerning the matter. Some of these persons reported information to the governor that had a startling effect...

It has been stated to Governor Ferguson that at the time the school land in the new country was leased, several men formed a combination to hold leases on certain valuable tracts of land...

Evidence has been secured showing that a short time ago a certain sum of money was sent to the secretary as his share of the profits in the sale of certain leases...

A few nights ago, after it had been ascertained that an investigation was being made, it is known that Secretary Houston appeared at the home of Governor Ferguson...

The governor personally looked over a number of leases in the department yesterday, and his suspicions were aroused to some extent over the signatures of various persons unknown to him...

Mr. Houston and the governor had a long conference yesterday afternoon relative to school land matters, and it is stated that he further explained why money was sent to him...

A story reached the governor yesterday, coming from a source considered reliable...



How an Abscess in the Fallopian Tubes of Mrs. Hollinger was removed without a surgical operation.

"I had an abscess in my side in the fallopian tube (the Fallopian tube is a connection of the ovaries). I suffered untold misery and was so weak I could scarcely get around. The sharp burning pains low down in my side were terrible. My physician said there was no help for me unless I would go to the hospital and be operated on. I thought before that I would try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound...

It would seem by this statement that women would save time and much sickness if they would get Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound at once...

In conversation with the correspondent of the Eagle, Mr. Houston stated that he desired a full and fair investigation of his side, and that he was satisfied that everything would be found in good condition...

Mr. Houston came here from Perry, having been made assistant to Secretary William M. Jenkins when the latter was appointed secretary of Oklahoma by President McKinley...

Under the present situation, matters are not in the best possible condition for the retention of Mr. Houston, but he and his friends believe that everything will be cleared up.

CHARTERS ISSUED.

Many New Concerns Will Soon Begin Business in Oklahoma.

Guthrie, O. T., May 12.—The Temple Water company of Temple, Comanche county, secured a territorial charter today, to own and operate a waterworks system for a period of twenty years. The capital stock is \$5,000 and the incorporators are J. W. Gower, T. J. Hunt, Arthur Walker, Hubard Redevsall, and J. C. Tandy...

The Big One Hundred Mining and Townsite company, with principal place of business at Oklahoma City, secured a territorial charter today for twenty years. One million dollars is the capital stock and the directors are: Louis Francis, L. Howard Lee, P. F. France, Oklahoma City; and M. D. Shaw, of Wapokaneta, Okla.

A notarial commission was issued today to Chas. W. Garland of Seward, Logan county.

TEXAS WANTS IT.

Guthrie, O. T., May 12.—The case of Greer county vs. the state of Texas for the recovery of four leagues of land lying in Hockley and Cochran counties, Texas, has been appealed to the United States supreme court...

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Story is Denied. Alva, O. T., May 12.—W. S. Fulton, of this city, says: I wish to deny most emphatically in your paper the reported interview in the Journal of Topeka, published the 27th of April, under the heading of "Bad Oklahoma." I never authorized such a statement and the article does Oklahoma, as well as myself a great injustice...

STEAMBOAT NAVIGATED ARKANSAS

In Early Days More Water Than Now

WAS ONCE A BIG RIVER

Steamboat Built by Millers—Not a Success

Ralston, O. T., May 12.—The Arkansas river is the only watercourse in Oklahoma ever navigated by steam. But the majestic flood that twenty-five years ago moved in ever-increasing volume from the Rock mountains to the Mississippi has diminished year after year...

The river is so often unfordable that the maintenance of ferries is a profitable business. Its quicksands are treacherous at all times. The ferryman, as a rule, charges 15 cents for a foot passenger and 25 cents for a mounted horseman and 50 cents for a vehicle with its passengers...

The Arkansas is not the river it was fifteen years ago," said L. A. Wisemeyer, for nearly thirty years an Indian trader at Gray Horse, in the Osage nation...

"High water began coming in March and the river was full all July, augmented in June by the snow water from the mountains. It may seem like fiction, but I once received from Arkansas City, Kan., a cargo of flour by steamship which was unloaded near where the Santa Fe railroad crosses the Arkansas above Ralston. It was a sure enough steamboat, too, but the Arkansas traffic was unremunerative and was abandoned."

The boat was the Kansas Millers and was owned at Arkansas City. Its history was told a few days ago by Mr. C. H. Seaving of the Arkansas Milling company, who said:

"The idea of building this steamer originated with James Hill, who built the canal here, two miles and was interested in building the boat to distribute the products of the mills down the Arkansas river. He succeeded in interesting the Bliss-Wood Milling company of Winfield, V. M. Ayres of Arkansas City and Seaving & Mead of Arkansas City, besides his own mill. Each agreed to pay one-fourth of the expense of building the boat, which was a very good, flat-bottomed, stern-wheel iron steamboat, about 300 feet long."

"It was built at Carondelet, Mo., at a cost of about \$100,000. After being tested it was thought best to get two steel barges, which was done. The whole outfit was about \$150,000. It was paid for equally by the four mills interested. The boat was named the Kansas Millers, and made, as I remember, one trip to Little Rock and to Fort Smith and several other shorter ones, which were not profitable. It lay idle for a while and there was sold to an old steamboat captain, who ran it down the river. The last I ever knew of it was ten or twelve years ago when it was said to be in the lumber and wood trade on the lower Arkansas. The people who put up their money in the boat lost it all, and naturally are not very enthusiastic as to navigating the Arkansas river this far up."

But I would state that at that time there was certainly several times as much water in the summer season as there is now, as no water was taken out for irrigation in Colorado."

FOUND MISER'S MONEY.

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When the shack was cleaned out there was revealed a most remarkable condition. Although a small, one-room affair, it was literally filled with all kinds of plunder, including beads, implements, cans, iron scrapers, etc., and a great number of newspapers, some of which are a date years old. Among the pile of rubbish which strewed the floor was the old boot in which was found the money. The boot was thrown out with the other trash, and a bystander picked it up to examine it. From inside the boot he pulled out four \$100 bills and two \$50 bills. The dead miser was supposed to have had much more money concealed somewhere about the premises, but it was not discovered yesterday.

For the past two weeks Brodie had been sleeping in a shed at the south end of his barn, and it was there that he was found dead.

A large number of people were attracted to the place yesterday by the find of the money and the circumstances surrounding the case. Nothing has so far been learned of his relatives or if he has any. He has studiously avoided any reference to his past since he came here, thirteen years ago, and even letters found have the date torn off.

For several years he lived on Chickasaw street, but last year moved to 623 West Choctaw, which number, in his own chronography, appears on the door of the hut where he spent his last days. Just east of this he owned a number of lots upon which he had commenced the building of two nice cottages for rent.

SLIGHTLY MIXED.

Chestnut Mare Causes a Couple of Men Much Trouble.

Guthrie, O. T., May 12.—H. Thompson had quite an experience Saturday in which a horse and several other parties figured. About a year and a half ago Mr. Thompson sold a chestnut mare with a flax mane and tail to Willis Babb, a farmer. A short time ago Mr. Babb sold the mare to a horse dealer at Ponca City.

So there were, Thompson, the man who had originally sold the mare, Babb, the man to whom he sold her, and Gollenhon, the man who claimed she had been stolen from him. The horse dealer seeing that his shipment was being delayed, advised Babb to refund the money to him and take the mare. Babb said "I can't I haven't the money. Turning to Thompson he said: "Will you help me get this mare back by going to the bank and getting the money?" Thompson said "Yes, I'll go with you. So they got the money and the horse dealer was out of the place."

Thompson proposed to Gollenhon that each deposit \$50 in the bank to cover the cost and expense. This was agreed to, after some parleying. Thompson said: "I want more than this, I am here virtually charged with having stolen property in my possession; I know this mare, I have owned her since she was 2 years old and have known her from a colt. I purpose taking her back with me, Blackwell to clear my skirts of any suspicion of having a stolen horse in my possession."

Mr. Gollenhon said: "My family will be disappointed if I do not take her back to Perry with me." Thompson then said finally: "She is mine and the only way you can get her is to replenish her."

Gollenhon and the lawyer had some more talk and finally concluded that Thompson must be right, else he would not be so positive. So the latter brought the mare back with him to Blackwell. And they were all happy ever after.

POTATO CROP GOOD.

May Not Be Early but Will Be a Large One.

Guthrie, O. T., May 12.—Ewers White, president of the territorial board of agriculture, was in the city today on business and called on a number of the territorial officials. While here, Mr. White talked freely with the representative of the Eagle relative to the Pottawatomie county potato prospects. "The season in Pottawatomie county will be several days later this year than last," said Mr. White, "and this is probably owing to the cold weather we have experienced during the past few weeks. I am convinced that the frost did little damage, and while in various localities it may have retarded the growth of the plant to some extent, this is about all that has done."

"The acreage is about the same that it was last year and I would estimate it at about 5,000 acres. We anticipate that the first crop will be ready for market about June 23, while as to the cold weather we thought the crop would be ready to place on the cars about June 6. From present indications the yield will be very large and potato growers will reap much financial reward for their work this year."

"The fact that Pottawatomie county has produced so many potatoes and of excellent quality, has raised the price of potato land. I have known of land within three miles of Shawnee selling for \$100 per acre, and people were glad to get it at that price. You see, here in Oklahoma we can raise two crops of potatoes. Many cars of the second crop were sent out last fall and a second crop will be put in this year and if the season is favorable we expect big returns for our work."

MAY LEASE ON CONDITION.

Heads of Cherokee Families Given Certain Privileges. Muskogee, O. T., May 12.—The United States land office at Wichita was moved to Tahlequah last week and is again open for business. The progress of allotments in the Cherokee nation is entirely satisfactory to every one and the land office has been run at its full capacity since its establishment the first of the year.

As soon as a Cherokee citizen makes formal allotment land so selected may be leased for agricultural purposes from one lease under the laws now in force in the Cherokee nation. These lease contracts may be made with the heads of families as soon as they have filed up their allotments. Leases for agricultural purposes five years or less may be made without the approval of the secretary of the interior, but leases of a longer period must be approved by the interior department.

Many families hold as much as 1,000 acres in a body and are leasing it on very favorable terms. A good farmer from the states can make enough of his leased land to purchase a home in five or six years. In fact a ten year lease on a track of new Indian Territory land is worth more than the ownership of a homestead in the states.

ACCIDENTAL SHOOTING.

Man Removes Shell From Pistol—All but One—Thru Fatal. Enid, O. T., May 12.—Robert Cape, aged 35, was accidentally shot on Friday afternoon near Carrer cemetery by a boy

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named Curley Dodson, and died from the wound on Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock and interment was made at Carrer, says the Enid Eagle.

Cape, in company with his son and his daughter-in-law were traveling through the country by wagon and had fallen in with others whom they knew and the whole party were proceeding toward Guthrie together. Near the scene of the shooting Cape had purchased a pony from Dodson and another member of the party had traded an old .38-caliber revolver with Dodson for a saddle. Dodson had the revolver in his hand and after being told it was loaded proceeded to empty the chambers, but one of the shells remained fast and as he snapped the hammer it exploded, the ball taking effect in Cape's abdomen, passing out at the opposite side. A small boy, who was standing near Cape, was struck by the bullet after it had passed through Cape's body, but it was not injured.

The men in the party were all friends, having been at work on some of the railroads west of Enid some time ago. Dr. Mayberry, of this city, attended the wounded man, but his injury was fatal.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OPINION.

Matter of Taxing Personal and Railroad Property Settled. Guthrie, O. T., May 12.—A matter that has long been under dispute and one which has attracted considerable attention among railroad men, has brought out an opinion from the attorney general's office, in which the official holds that personal property and railroad property on a military reservation may be taxed for school district purposes.

"The question was brought up by the Rock Island road objecting to pay tax on railroad property in the Darlington reservation, for school district purposes. The matter was never settled that personal property could be taxed for school district purposes until a thorough research of the laws on the matter was made by the attorney general. The collection of these taxes will make considerable difference with school districts, owing to the fact that in a military reservation no taxes on property can be collected. Last year, the Rock Island paid no school district tax in the Darlington reservation, but territorial officials will see that the tax is collected, and turned into the territorial treasury to be distributed to the school district affected."

BURGLAR AND BEAR.

Two Girls, Old Chums, Meet and Occupy Same Bed. Alva, O. T., May 12.—A young lady who is attending college was visited last week by a girl "chum" of bygone days and of course the year just past and talked over old joys, sorrows, cares and scares, and before retiring each platted the other's hair, as they used to do says the Alva Pioneer.

In the night the visitor dreamed of burglars and let out a scream that aroused the house, and before the other girl was screaming to beat the band, and had hold of her chum's hair and was hanging on like grim death to a

dead nigger, and this awakened the first girl who turned her attention toward saving her brain of hair. In less time than it takes to tell it, they were both awake and exclaiming to the lady of the house. The visitor had dreamed that an ugly burster was in the room, and just when she screamed, the other girl was dreaming that a grizzly bear was after them, and in endeavoring to play the heroine and prevent the bear reaching her, she caught the bear's tail, which of course was the brain of hair; and thus both were soon awakened and a horrible tragedy averted.

To John Hitchcock.

Guthrie, O. T., May 12.—Governor T. B. Ferguson left here this afternoon for Kingfisher, to join Secretary E. A. Hitchcock and party on their trip through the northern part of the territory. The secretary and party is expected to arrive here some time tomorrow evening, and will spend the greater part of Thursday in the capital city. The reception committee are now at work arranging for the secretary's reception.

The territorial building is being decorated today, and by tomorrow night will present a holiday appearance. Every office will be appropriately arranged for the occasion, and when the secretary and party arrives in Guthrie, the merchants will have their bunting and banners in evidence.

Will Send Band.

Pawnee, O. T., May 12.—During the St. Louis exposition next year, Pawnee county will send Rockwood's Juvenile band of twenty-one pieces to that city for a number of weeks. The band was organized last December by E. F. Rockwood, who came here from Kansas, and the average age of the members is 13 years. Remarkable progress during the few months the band has been organized has been made and the band has already attracted much attention.

New uniforms have been secured and it is now to state that the Juvenile band will make a hit when it appears in St. Louis.

Meeting Postponed.

Guthrie, O. T., May 12.—The adjourned meeting of the board of education for normal schools has been postponed until the 19th of this month, and at that time matters relating to the new buildings for normal purposes at Edmond and Weatherford will be taken up. The southwestern normal at Weatherford is being erected and plans for the building at Edmond are being prepared.

Did Not Approve Plans.

Guthrie, O. T., May 12.—Governor T. B. Ferguson refused to approve the plans for the Caddo county court house and jail as submitted to him by L. C. Smith, chairman of the board of county commissioners, for the reason that the amount named \$28,000, is in excess of the amount named by the interior department. Thirty thousand dollars can be expended for a court house, but the jail must be a separate building. The plans show that the two were to be erected under one roof.

Refused to Deliver Goods.

Kansas City, May 12.—A new feature in the waters' strike in this city is the refusal of the bakery drivers to deliver to non-union restaurants. The strike will affect every member of the Restaurant Men's Protective association, of which there are forty-eight small restaurants who buy all their pastries from the bakers who suffer most, as the larger concerns bake most of their own supplies.

Wilmington, Kan., May 12.—Russell Fox, a wealthy farmer, was gored to death in his pasture near this city by a bull. His body was crushed and mangled badly.

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