

The Daily Ardmoreite.

Historical Society.

VOLUME X.

{SIDNEY SUGGS,
PROPRIETOR.

ARDMORE, IND. TER., FRIDAY, EVENING, AUGUST 21, 1903.

{SUBSCRIPTION, \$5 A YEAR.}

NUMBER 246

ENJOIN EXPRESS COMPANIES

SUIT ORDERED TO FORFEIT THE CHARTERS IN TEXAS.

Heavy Penalties Will Be Asked Against Wells Fargo and Pacific Companies—Others Can Only Be Enjoined.

Austin, Tex., Aug. 20.—The railroad commission today, by unanimous vote adopted a resolution instructing the attorney general to institute suit against the Wells-Fargo and Pacific express companies for forfeiture of their respective permits to do business in Texas and against the United States and American express companies to enjoin them from doing business in this state.

It is understood that heavy penalties will be asked against the first two mentioned companies.

The United States and American companies are joint stock concerns and are not required to have a permit from the state to operate on Texas railroads. They can only be reached through injunction proceedings. The basis for these suits is that the defendant companies have failed to comply with the law in the matter of maintaining general offices in Texas. Other alleged violations of the law are also alleged. The institution of these suits have been expected for some time.

As a matter of fact, the railroad commission adopted a verbal motion several weeks ago that the attorney general be instructed to bring proceedings against these companies. It is said that it was decided best to put the instructions in writing, and for that reason the resolution submitted by Railroad Commissioner O. B. Colquitt was adopted and submitted to Attorney General Bell.

It is expected that the suits will be instituted within the next few days.

It is well understood that the express companies propose to go into the federal court and seek to have the commission enjoined from putting in reduced rates if the result of the rehearing to be held on Sept. 1 is to that effect.

ADOPTED BY INDIANS.

White Men Entitled to Allotment in Cherokee Nation.

A special from Muskogee says George W. Johnson, a white man and a Kansan, seems to possess those

traits that make a hit with Indian blood, for he has been adopted by two nations, and after a long and hard fight has been adopted by Secretary of the Interior Hitchcock, too. This is the way it happened:

Away back in 1866 Johnson married a woman in Kansas. After that he was adopted into the Cherokee nation with the rest of the Shawnees, and got on the "eighty" roll. After that his Shawnee wife died and Johnson married again, this time to a white woman. When he applied for enrollment as a Cherokee his right was contested by the Cherokee attorneys on the ground that he married out; in other words, he had forfeited his right by marrying a woman who was not a member of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, and as he had no Indian blood in his veins, the attorneys claimed that he was not entitled to the same right as a full blood, whether he was an Indian or not, as once a Cherokee, always a Cherokee, married or single.

The matter was carried to the secretary of the interior, and this morning a decision was returned in which Johnson is ordered enrolled. Johnson is an old man and lives at Afton, I. T.

All aboard for Wapanucka Sunday morning. If you have never seen the town, here's your chance. If you have seen it, you want to see it again.

Indians Settling in Mexico.

A special from San Antonio says E. M. Fuller, special agent of the Kiowas, Comanches and Apaches is in that city on his return from Mexico, where he has secured for forty Indian farmers a large tract of farming land.

The Indians will buy the land and in one large community will carry on agricultural pursuits. The land, which lies between Victoria and Monterey, will be occupied by the Indians in about six weeks' time. Mr. Fuller says that this is but a forerunner of the exodus to Mexico of thrifty families.

A Sextuple Killing.

San Antonio, Tex., Aug. 20.—News was received here tonight that Blas Quentera of this city and five companions had been killed at Monterey, Mexico, while endeavoring to secure possession of a child to which Quentera had some kind of claim. No particulars of the killing have been received. Quentera is well known here, having been a resident of his city for years.

Business Chance.

One hundred and fifty dollars invested will insure a clear income of \$65 per month. It's worth your while to investigate. Address Box 311, 18-3.

Subscribe for the Ardmoreite.

NOW HITCHCOCK IS HOT

SAYS BROSIUS HAS MEDDLED IN DEPARTMENT AFFAIRS.

And Can No Longer Receive the Glad Hand—The Report Is Treated in Chilly Manner by the Department—To Be Looked Up.

Without telling where it received the information, the South McAlester Capital says:

Secretary Hitchcock is hot. Hot at Brosius, who made the report in the name of the "Indian Rights Association;" hot at the newspapers for giving so much space to the mess in Indian Territory—probably hot at himself for being so backward as to be called down by the president and ordered to start an investigation.

Brosius is no longer welcome at the department. It is claimed that he has "meddled" with department affairs.

Private Secretary Scott Smith told the newspaper men Sunday that the report was not news to the department but the charges had been known by Hitchcock for some time and that a quiet investigation had been started several weeks ago.

But now the plan is openly unfolded. Francis E. Leupp, a Washington newspaper man, has been selected to "plow up" the Indian Territory mess. Mr. Leupp is at present engaged in looking into reported scandals in the Kiowa and Comanche country in Oklahoma. When he completes this work he will come to the Indian Territory.

The president of the Indian Rights association is Philip C. Garrett of Philadelphia, a millionaire.

Mr. Garrett is thoroughly persuaded that combinations have been formed to rob the Indians and he himself gave the Brosius report to Philadelphia newspapers for publication. Another person who is prominent in the agitation is Herbert Welsh. Mr. Welsh is the man who is interested in the effort to have General Funston court-martialed, and personally preferred charges before the Philippine committee. He had the expense of bringing a half dozen witnesses to Philadelphia and amused himself by writing open letters to President Roosevelt.

Officials Blame Department. Reports from Muskogee indicate that all of the members of the Dawes commission, as well as the other federal officials, are not alarmed over the prospect for an investigation. They rather court it. The idea prevails that the stir is but temporary, probably a republican whitewash game as it is too close to a presidential election to permit soreness among the federal officials, all of whom have a following back in the states.

If an investigation is started, it is enough to get to the bottom of the trouble. That the investigation will have to be carried to the department of the interior at Washington and there in some of the sub-departments will be found the real cause for complaints, is the sentiment that prevails

in Muskogee among men who are in close touch with governmental affairs, but not on the federal payroll.

This state of affairs is not blamed on the secretary of the interior or the commissioner of Indian affairs, but on the clerks under them who pass upon the work sent from the Indian offices from the Territory. There have been many evidences that these clerks are interested in the oil leases and the Choctaw removals and so frequently has advance information been doled out to the big companies from Washington that it has become an accepted belief that a man with money can get almost any information he wants about Indian Territory at Washington and get it sooner than the officials here. A notable instance of this is when two or three big oil companies got advance information on rules and regulations of oil leases and gobbled up all the choice leases in the oil fields of the Cherokee nation before the Indian offices here were advised in the matter.

PEACE FOR MACEDONIA

POWERS HAVE NEW PLAN TO SETTLE TROUBLE.

All Embassies Declare the News from Macedonia Is Exaggerated—United States Will Not Interfere. Russian Squadron in Sight.

London, August 20.—The Associated Press learns that important negotiations are in progress between the powers which promise to result in the early adoption of a new plan for the settlement of the Macedonian trouble.

London, Aug. 20.—Neither the Austrian, Russian nor Italian embassies here have any knowledge of reported exchanges of communications between the continental powers in regard to a joint naval demonstration off Salonica. All embassies here unite in the statement that the news from Macedonia is exaggerated. There is a general belief that the United States will not intervene in Turkey.

Constantinople, Aug. 20.—The Russian squadron arrived off Inada, on the eastern coast of European Turkey, yesterday afternoon.

CLAIMS TERRITORY OIL FIELDS.

A Young Man From Germany Says His Father Owned Bartlesville.

New York, Aug. 20.—Jacob E. Mueller, a guest of the Bank hotel, in Washington street, has as a reward for the untiring efforts of four years, established his title to a one-half million dollar estate in Indian Territory. This estate was left by John H. Mueller, who was one of the early settlers in Indian Territory and who helped found the town of Bartlesville. The elder Mueller came to this country from Germany. He left his family and they heard nothing of him until after his death. In settling in Indian Territory he took up a large tract of land that was practically worthless until a few years ago, when valuable mines were located upon it.

Before his death Mueller abandon-

ed the property and moved to Rochelle Park, near Hackensack, N. J., where he made his home with a farmer named Doerr. Young Mueller came to this country from Germany. He managed to trace his father from Indian Territory to Hackensack. In the meantime Doerr had moved away. For the last four years the young man has endeavored to locate Doerr, and at last succeeded through suggestion of his probable whereabouts made by W. M. Oetting of Hackensack. It was only through this friend of his father that he could establish his identity and push his claim.

Indian's True Characteristics.

The editor of the Vinita Chieftain, who is familiar with the red men, has this to say of his characteristics:

"A great deal of unnecessary sentiment is being wasted on the full blood Indian in this Territory and much has crept into books and into the minds of the uninitiated with reference to his true character and inclinations and prospects. In the first place he is paraded as being constitutionally and rigidly honest, which is untrue and a gross exaggeration of facts. He is naturally secretive and deceptive and his mode of warfare from the beginning has been from behind trees and rocks and from ambush. Nobody will know what a full blood will do until he has done it. He is the first man to sell his vote at an election and gets less for it. He follows his leader like a sheep. When a leader is brought he carries his following with him. Just what is to become of the full blood is one of the problems of the day, and will not be solved in the interest of the Indian. He is doomed to poverty and will eventually be lost in history. There are exceptions, but they are so rare and so far between as to be of little consequence in viewing the full blood as a whole."

SELLS HUSBAND FOR \$500.

Wife Lets Other Woman Have Him on Money Basis.

Detroit, Aug. 20.—For \$500 Mrs. Constant Menche of Montreal agreed to give up her husband to another woman who had once been her servant in the Canadian city.

The agreement to accept \$500 and call all accounts square was drawn up by Attorney Ignatius Sallotte and signed by husband and wife. Ludger Menche paid the money to his wife, after which the couple separated, the wife leaving for her home in Montreal while the husband returned here to his home to live with the woman for whose sake he deserted his wife, saying he will get a divorce and marry the other woman.

Menche deserted his wife in Montreal several years ago. She told the police she did not desire to live with him, but he must provide for her. They finally agreed on separation on money basis.

Fired on Americans.

London, Aug. 20.—A news agency dispatch from Hong Kong says that a riot occurred on Sunday at Fatsan and spread along the railway to Fati. The American engineers were fired upon by the rioters. There were several casualties.

THE GRAND ARMY VETERANS

BLACK HAS CINCH ON COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

Backed by Strongest Delegations, Kinne, a Californian, Is Promised Second Place—Veterans Had Good Time—At Business.

San Francisco, Aug. 20.—The visiting veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic, after enjoying a period of pleasant relaxation enlivened with entertainments of all varieties gotten up in their behalf by comrades and hospitable people of this kind, settled down to work this morning when the encampment opened in executive session.

Interest of the delegates centers in the election of officers, mainly that of commander and senior vice commander-in-chief.

General John C. Black undoubtedly has the inside running for the position of commander-in-chief, backed as he is by three of the strongest delegations, New York, Ohio and Pennsylvania.

There is not likely to be any contest for the position of vice commander-in-chief. C. Mason Kinne of this city, having received the endorsement therefor from the department of California and Nevada, which practically bars any opposition candidate.

San Francisco Cal., Aug. 20.—Gen. John C. Black of Illinois was elected commander-in-chief of the G. A. R. this afternoon.

Excursion to Wapanucka.

On Sunday, the 23rd, the Choctaw people will run an excursion train from Ardmore to Wapanucka to witness a ball game between the Ardmore team and that of Wapanucka. The fare will be \$1.10 and a large crowd is expected to go.

When a man attempts to kiss a girl she usually threatens to call for help but the young man doesn't need any help.

HERE IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO Buy a Home.

\$275.00 Will buy a good two room dwelling, barn, large lot, splendid well, good location.

\$300.00 Will buy a good two-room cottage, good lot and good location.

Investigate these and own your own home. We have others to sell and some good houses for rent.

Warehouse, truckage facilities for rent.

The Redfield Agency.
Real Estate, Rents, Loans.
Phone 121. ARDMORE, I. T.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

Ardmore, Indian Territory.

Designated Depository for Bankruptcy Funds in Chickasaw Nation.

Capital paid in\$ 60,000.00
Surplus Funds..... 165,000.00
Total.....\$225,000.00

The oldest bank in Indian Territory. Accounts of firms and individuals solicited upon the most liberal terms consistent with good banking.

WE WILL BOND YOU

THE UNITED STATES FIDELITY AND GUARANTEE COMPANY.

Home Office, Baltimore, Md.

PAID UP CAPITAL, \$1,650,800.00 SURETY BONDS.

FIDELITY CONTRACTS JUDICIAL.

Judicial Bonds Executed Without Delay.

BURGLARY INSURANCE.

Banks, Stores, Residences Insured Against Burglary or Theft.

ROBERTS, POLAND & BRUCE.

Correspondence Solicited.

GENERAL AGENTS,
Ardmore, I. T.

ARDMORE ABSTRACT CO.,

(Incorporated.)

The Most Complete Set of Abstracts in the Southern District.

Abstracts of all kinds accurately made. Records thoroughly searched, and any kind of information furnished on short notice and small fee.

W. S. WOLVERTON & SON, Mgr's.

ALL KINDS OF INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE and BONDS

Folding Camp Furniture

THAT

Makes Camping Out a Pleasure.

R. A. JONES

(Successor to C. R. Jones.)

Ardmore National Bank,

ARDMORE, IND. TER.

Capital Stock and Additional Liability, : : : : \$200,000.00
Largest of any Bank in the Chickasaw Nation.

We accept small and large accounts and conduct a General Banking Business for you.

DIRECTORS.

C. R. SMITH, President.
C. M. CAMPBELL, Vice-Pres.
LEE CHUCK, Cashier.
G. W. YOUNG, Stockman
J. C. THOMPSON, Attorney.

R. A. JONES, Wholesale and Retail Furniture.
SAM NOBLE, Wholesale Hardware.
J. R. PENNINGTON, " Grocer.
R. W. RANDOL, Merchant.

THE CITY NATIONAL BANK

ARDMORE, I. T.

Capital\$100,000.00
Surplus Funds..... 30,000.00

Accounts of firms and individuals solicited. Courteous treatment. Accorded all alike.

Albatross Flour.

ALL GROCERS SELL IT.

WHITEMAN BROS.,

"WHOLESALE DISTRIBUTORS."