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Senator Clapp is evidently a Roosevelt supporter, for he was recently heard to say that this country wanted a man for president who has some red blood in his veins.

The candidates for Congress in the Sixth Congressional District are all sawing wood, but according to reports it looks as though either Ed Rogers or C. B. Buckman will be the nominee.

C. C. Daniels, brother of the secretary of the navy, is reported to be in the employ of a New York firm which obtains large contracts to furnish iron and other material for the building of war ships. An incompetent man is fortunate in having a pull that has landed him into a position which pays a salary probably very much larger than the one he received from the government. C. C. Daniels is certainly making the best of his opportunities as the brother of the secretary of the navy, and this should be sufficient evidence that he was not a safe person to settle the land matters of this reservation.

Another prominent man in this state who is an outspoken supporter of Roosevelt is C. A. Congdon of Duluth. In an interview with the Minneapolis Journal last week, Mr. Congdon, in his usual direct way, said it would be a great mistake to not nominate Roosevelt and to nominate Hughes as the Republican presidential candidate. Mr. Congdon is right. Justice Hughes is a very high grade man and no doubt makes a better justice of the United States Supreme Court than he would a President of the United States. President Taft had been a judge of a court and on account of the experience during his administration the Lord save this country from another such experience.

Death Of James J. Hill.

James J. Hill, the noted railroad builder and financier, died at his residence in St. Paul last week of blood poisoning.

Many noted men have died in the recent past, but none of them have been known among the Indians of the northwest, and especially among the Chippewas, except Jim Hill as he was more familiarly known.

Mr. Hill was employed by Chippewa mixed bloods for a number of years after he came from Canada to this state, and he traveled from St. Paul to Fort Gary, now known as Winnipeg, frequently with dog teams or Red River carts. In his young days Mr. Hill was regarded by his intimate associates as a "builder of castles", as he always discussed big and apparently impossible things, but subsequent events proved that he had not talked in vain.

Mr. Hill's place in the commercial world will not soon be refilled, and Minnesota may miss him in the future.

FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR MOSES E. CLAPP.

The Chippewas of Minnesota should not waste or lose a vote for Senator Clapp at the coming primary election, and they should be sure that they make no mistake in marking their ballots by voting for more than one person for United States senator.

Every Indian who has visited Washington on business for himself or for the tribe will appreciate what a great loss to the cause



UNITED STATES SENATOR, MOSES E. CLAPP.

of the Chippewas it would be if Senator Clapp should be defeated at this time, for this is a crucial stage in the history of Indian affairs.

The Chippewas have made great headway in getting what they are entitled to, more so than any other tribe in the United States, and this is all due to Senator Clapp's assistance. The amendments in the Indian appropriation act passed last month by Congress, are all due to Senator Clapp, except the Red Lake amendment, and entitles him to the full support of the Chippewas. There are rumors of persons upon this reservation who will not support Senator Clapp because he has friends among the faction to which they do not belong notwithstanding the fact that some of these persons owe him a debt of gratitude for assisting them.

A Chippewa who is a true friend to the interests of the Chippewas of Minnesota will not allow his personal prejudices against his opponents to control him but will vote for the man who has favored him and his tribe and protected their interests at all times.

Sageng Against Steenerson.

Ole O. Sageng, a former candidate for Congress, criticizes Representative Steenerson's vote on the McLennore resolution, and gives this as his reason for supporting Mr. Anderson.

If Mr. Steenerson had always stood for what is right and fair since he has been a member of Congress as he did when he voted on the McLennore resolution there would not be such strong opposition to him in his district as there is now.

Citizens of the United States have rights which should be respected, but these rights should not involve this country in war simply because some citizen wishes to take a pleasure trip to Europe and is not willing to take a steam-

ship of a country that is not involved in war.

Representative Steenerson and the ten other congressmen who voted as he did regarding the questions that were involved in the McLennore resolution voted as their constituents no doubt wanted them to vote while Senator Nelson voted contrary to these wishes.

Representative Steenerson has not much to fear regarding his vote on the McLennore resolution, but there are other things which he has to account for.

The Chippewa Right Of Nomination Act.

While the Indian delegations of other tribes were busily discussing the Johnson Right of Nomination Bill, and other similar bills, the Chippewa delegation, with the assistance of Senator Clapp, succeeded in securing the passage of an amendment which will, to all intents and purposes, be as fair to the Chippewas of Minnesota as the Right of Nomination Bill would be if it is passed by Congress.

If the Indian office at Washington will not ignore the law, all the positions in the Chippewa Indian service in this state, the salaries of which are being paid from Chippewa tribal funds, shall be filled by members of the tribe. It is up to these members to take the proper steps to secure the positions.

In order that there shall be an equal distribution of the positions the General Council should establish and seek to enforce a rule which will not place whole families in the Chippewa Indian service to the exclusion of other worthy persons, and in this way keep the service and the new Chippewa policy in good repute.

John G. Morrison Jr. For Superintendent.

During his incumbency as president of the Chippewa General Council John G. Morrison Jr. has shown himself to be impartial and efficient, and for this reason it is believed he would make an impartial and efficient superintendent of the White Earth Reservation.

Mr. Morrison is a middle aged and conservative man whose sympathies are thoroughly with his people, the Chippewas of Minnesota, and he could be relied upon to do what the amendment of the Indian appropriation act of this year provides, to give the members of the Chippewa tribe the preference in filling the positions in the Chippewa Indian Service the salaries of which are being paid from the tribal funds of the Chippewas of Minnesota.

He would undoubtedly do all in his power to have the amendment referred to fulfilled, and prevent it, if possible, from being a failure.

Much will depend upon the Chippewas of Minnesota in causing Congress and the administration to inaugurate a new policy towards the Indians of the country, and if the policy of giving Indians the preference to fill the positions among their own people proves to be a success among the Chippewas, it will be the first step towards the final solution of the so-called Indian problem.

One thing remains to be taken

into consideration with regard to the proposition to present Mr. Morrison's name for the position of superintendent, and this is to first obtain his consent, for in his case it will be the office seeking the man and not the man seeking the office.

Indians Are Suspicious.

Mrs. Lizzie A. Richards, of Stanley, N. Mex., apropos of a recent news item in the Pathfinder, writes saying she has been an employee of the Indian service for 22 years—seven of which were passed with no white person nearer than 10 miles. In that time, she says, she has "learned a great deal about the Indians, and also a little about the Indian bureau officials." She adds that "not all who are working in the Indian service are working for the Indians." The intention of the government is to treat the Indians with honesty and fidelity, but many appointees to the Indian service think too much of their own selfish interests and too little about the welfare of the Indians, she intimates. Hence if the Indians are sometimes suspicious of the "Great White Father's" agents and emissaries, they cannot be blamed.—The Pathfinder.

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CALL FOR GENERAL COUNCIL.

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MAY 22, 1916.

Pursuant to Article five (5) of the Constitution of the General Council of Minnesota Chippewas, notice is hereby given that the next annual meeting of the Council will be held at Bemidji, Minn., July 11, 1916, at 1:30 P. M.

The basis of representation to the Councils of this organization shall be one delegate for each one hundred members or the major fraction thereof, of the White Earth and Red Lake Reservations, and Reservations ceded under the provisions of the Act of Congress of January fourteenth, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine (25 U. S. Stats. 642). Such delegates shall be elected on the first Tuesday in June of each year, by the local councils of said reservations and ceded reservations. All chiefs of bands are ex-officio delegates to the meetings of the General Council in addition to regularly elected delegates.

In the event of their being no local council on any of the Reservations or ceded Reservations, it is suggested that the Executive Committeeman of such Reservations, or ceded Reservations, organize one for the proper election of delegates. After election of delegates the Secretary of the local council should notify the Secretary of the General Council.

It is urged that each delegation have proper credentials for presentation to credentials committee before they are seated in the Council.

J. G. MORRISON JR.
President of General Council.

Attest:
P. H. BEAULIEU,
Sec. of General Council.

WANTED—Names and addresses of people suffering from ECZEMA and other skin diseases. For valuable information address R. M. SHEETS, Brainerd, Minn.

The Mille Lac Suit Again.

COURT OF CLAIMS SUSTAINS ITS FORMER DECISION.

Last Monday the Court of Claims handed down a decision sustaining its former decision in favor of the Chippewas of Minnesota relative to the Mille Lac suit.

The Mille Lac suit has been stubbornly resisted by the Department of Justice, and it is now hoped it has reached its last stage and that the Mille Lac Chippewas will finally receive what they are entitled to under treaties, and that the appropriation will be made at the present session of Congress.

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