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We are in receipt of a communi-
cation from a subscriber at Cloquet,
Minn., but the fact that it was
signed only "A Reader," prevents
us from publishing it in full. Our
correspondent denounces James I.
Coffey and likens him to the Sioux
chief Sitting Bull, who caused so
much trouble for the Government
in 1876.

It is unfortunate that the sub-
ject of proper and adequate forest
fire control has reached the con-
troversial state. From an admit-
ted necessity the question of the
legislation to preventing disasters
of the past is now being openly
discussed as one involving the
selfish interest of a few and the
whole thing is suffering as a result.
There is no getting around the
fact that quite a few are openly
questioning the motives of those
behind the issue. The clearing of
private lands is hinted at by some
while others talk of the creation of
a fire fighting force for political
purposes only. Throughout there
is a note of suspicion. What some
may think however, has no bear-
ing on Governor Burnquist's view
of the situation in the North
woods. He regards it as one call-
ing for legislative action and he
will be heard from further on the
subject.

That aspirants for the republic-
an gubernatorial nomination might
just as well prepare themselves
now as any time for the introduc-
tion into their midst of M. J.
Dowling of Olivia goes without
saying. Literally speaking Mike
will be there with both feet, even
if they are man made. Recently
friends in his home town, Olivia,
formally launched a Dowling gov-
ernatorial boom and word comes
that it has already taken hold in
the formation elsewhere of a Dow-
ling governor club and the distribu-
tion of Dowling literature. Dow-
ling banners it is further reported
are to be seen in plenty in Ren-
ville and nearby counties. Auto
mobiles are carrying them. In
Minneapolis a substantial group of
backers have taken up the cudgel
in Mr. Dowling's behalf. Mr.
Dowling is now dividing his time
between England and France
where he is teaching shell torn and
mained soldiers the lesson of his
own hampered career. Mr. Dow-
ling was a victim of a Minnesota
blizzard in which he lost both
hands and feet, and his presence
overseas has been for the purpose
of helping those who suffered
likewise, though from a different
cause. Mike, as he is best known
in political circles, has never
openly mentioned anything in the
line of designs on the governorship
and the present movement would
seem without his sanction.

COMMISSIONER SELLS WILL RECOGNIZE THE GENERAL COUNCIL, MINNESOTA CHIPPEWAS, HELD AT CASS LAKE JULY 8th, 1919.

John G. Morrison, Jr., Receives Official Notice
That the General Council, Minnesota Chippewas,
of Which He is President, and Paul H. Beaulieu
is Secretary, Will be Recognized by
the Indian Office.

The following official communi-
cation from Commissioner Cato
Sells to John G. Morrison, Jr.,
President of the General Council,
Minnesota Chippewas, is self-ex-
planatory. Commissioner Sells
has been true to his word in recog-
nizing the General Council held at
Cass Lake on July 8th, last. Let
us hope that this will put a stop to
the activities of the James I.
Coffey gang who have been such a
determent to the progress of the
Minnesota Chippewas in the past.

The letter follows:
Department of the Interior
Office of Indian Affairs
Washington

Aug. 28, 1919.
Mr. John G. Morrison, Jr.,
Red Lake, Minnesota.

Dear Mr. Morrison:
I am in receipt of a copy of
the minutes of the meeting of the
General Council of Chippewa In-
dians of Minnesota, held at Cass
Lake, Minnesota, July 8th, 1919;
also reports from Superintendent
Walter F. Dickens and Supervisor
L. F. Michael who attended this
council at my request. I have
given this matter very careful
consideration and hereby recognize
your election as President of the
Council; Paul H. Beaulieu as
Secretary thereof, and the organi-
zation effected thereby, under the
Constitution and by-laws of the
Chippewa Indians of Minnesota.

I exceedingly regret, however,
to note from the record that the
factional differences among the
Chippewa Indians were not ad-
justed at this council and a com-
promise effected so that this
election would be an expression
of the entire Chippewa tribe.

Sincerely yours,
CATO SELLS,
Commissioner.

Enjoined From Using the Name of the General Coun- cil.

Benjamin Caswell et al Faction Enjoined
From Using the Name of the Gen-
eral Council of Chippewa Indians
of Minnesota, by Order of the
District Court of Becker
County.

The following is a copy of a re-
straining order issued by Judge
Roesser of the Seventh Judicial
District of Becker County, Minne-
sota, enjoining the Caswell-Coffey
faction from further misrepresent-
ing themselves as officers and com-
mitteemen of the General Council
of Chippewa Indians of Minnesota.
The main action will be held be-
fore the District Court of Becker
County on the 6th day of October
next, when the attorneys for the
only General Council will apply

for the order to be made perman-
ent.

It is well known that the Coffey
-Caswell faction have been rep-
resenting themselves as the Gen-
eral Council of Chippewa Indians
of Minnesota since the last meet-
ing of the real General Council at
Cass Lake, and it is reported that
upon such representations, at-
tempts are being made to coerce
some of the old Indians to con-
tribute \$20 each toward a fund
which they propose to use for a
junker trip to Washington, and
for expenses of a suit to have the
mixed blood of the reservation
stricken from the rolls. It has
been reported that they are trying
to secure the services of one C. C.
Daniels as an attorney to prosecute
the suit. It will be remembered
that C. C. Daniels was at one
time assistant to the Attorney
General in prosecuting the land
suits on this reservation brought
by the government, and was also
special attorney in the proceedings
brought by Charles Wright et al,
to have certain mixed-bloods
stricken from the rolls. It will
also be remembered that Daniels
made a dismal failure while he
was connected with these matters
and was afterwards let out by the
government. He is now trying to
get some sort of a contract as we
understand to take this old matter
up again, for the sum of \$20,000.
Hence the efforts of the Caswell-
Coffey faction in securing contri-
butions. Whatever their success
in gathering this fund, it is certain
they will have to go under the
designation of some other name,
for if from now on any of them
use the name of the General Coun-
cil, or attempt to do anything in
its name, they will immediately
be subject to contempt of court,
and may draw a fine or jail term.

The order of the court follows:

State of Minnesota,
County of Becker.
In the District Court.
Seventh Judicial District.

—o—
John G. Morrison, Jr., et al.,
Plaintiffs,

vs

The General Council of the
Chippewa Indians of Minne-
sota, Inc.,

A body corporate,
Benjamin Caswell,
John Broker,
William Morrell,
Louis R. Caswell,
William Potter,
John S. Smith,
Joseph Goggleeye,
Frank Pequette,
Wah be shay sheence,
George Shah go bay,
David Boyd, and
James I. Coffey,
Defendants.

—o—

Upon consideration of the
verified complaint of the plaintiff

in the above entitled cause, and on
motion of Frank D. Beaulieu, one
of the attorneys for said plaintiff,

IT IS ORDERED that said
defendants and each of them show
cause before the Court of the
Seventh Judicial District in and
for the County of Becker, Minne-
sota, to be held in said County and
State on the 6th day of October,
1919, at the court house in the
city of Detroit, in said County and
State, at the opening of the Court
on that day, or as soon thereafter
as counsel can be heard, why a
temporary injunction should not be
issued in said above entitled cause,
restraining said defendants,

The General Council of the
Chippewa Indians of Minn., Inc.,

A body corporate,
Benjamin Caswell,
John Broker,
William Morrell,
Louis R. Caswell,
William Potter,
John S. Smith,
Joseph Goggleeye,
Frank Pequette,
Wah be shay sheence,
George Shah go bay,
David Boyd, and
James I. Coffey,

its and their servants, agents, offi-
cers, attorneys, successors, and all
persons acting by, through or un-
der it or them or either of them
from using the name of the General
Council of the Chippewa Indians
of Minnesota, or from in anywise
or in any manner exercising or at-
tempting to exercise any function
as an officer, committeeman, agent
or representative of said corpora-
tion or doing or performing any
act or thing in its name, or from

holding themselves out as officers,
agents or representatives of the
"General Council of all the Chip-
pewa Indians of Minnesota."

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED,
that until the determination of said
application for said injunction the
defendants,

The General Council of the
Chippewa Indians of Minn., Inc.,

A body corporate,
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John Broker,
William Morrel,
Louis R. Caswell,
William Potter,
John S. Smith,
Joseph Goggleeye,
Frank Pequette,
Wah be shay sheence,
George Shah go bay,
David Boyd, and
James I. Coffey,

its and their officers, agents, ser-
vants, attorneys and any and all
persons acting by, through or un-
der it or them and each of them
are hereby restrained and enjoined
from using the name of the Gen-
eral Council of the Chippewa In-
dians of Minnesota, or the seal, or
fac-simile of the seal of the Gen-
eral Council of the Chippewa In-
dians of Minnesota, or from in
anywise, or in any manner exer-
cising or attempting to exercise
any function as an officer, com-
mitteeman, agent or representative
of said corporation or doing or
performing any act or thing in its
name, or from holding themselves
out as officers, agents or represen-
tatives of the "General Council of
all the Chippewas of Minnesota."

Let a copy of this Order to-
gether with a copy of the com-

plaint in said action be served up-
on the defendant,

The General Council of the
Chippewa Indians of Minn., Inc.,

A body corporate,
Benjamin Caswell,
John Broker,
William Morrell,
Louis R. Caswell,
William Potter,
John S. Smith,
Joseph Goggleeye,
Frank Pequette,
Wah be shay sheence,
George Shah go bay,
David Boyd, and
James I. Coffey,

and each of them at least five days
before the date of said hearing
thereof.

Dated Sept. 3rd, 1919.
By the Court,
JOHN A. ROESER,
District Judge.

Always Miserable.
Jones—You seem to be always mis-
erable.
Smith—So I am. Life has no pleas-
ure for me.
"What is the matter?"
"Anxiety about my future robs me
of one-half of present joy, and remorse
for my past life gets away with the
other half.—Texas siftings.



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