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AFTER THE COLD CASH

TESTIMONY BEFORE INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE SHOWS THAT INDIANS WANTED TO DISPOSE OF THEIR HOLDINGS.

(Herald Special.) McAlester, Okla., Aug. 8.—The congressional committee resumed its investigation this morning into the McMurray land contracts. It is asserted that one witness, not yet called to the stand, will testify involving a congressman who is said to have solicited a bribe. The testimony of Chief Green McCurtain of the Choctaws and his son, D. C. McCurtain, has started a new tact in the investigation. The testimony of the younger McCurtain that J. F. McMurray offered him \$25,000 when he was a member of the Choctaw delegation to work for the approval of the contracts will probably result in McMurray being recalled to the stand today. Expressions from members of the congressional committee make it evident that the Indians will get a square deal in the future.

Chairman Burke of the investigating committee will call many Indians to the stand within the next few days in an effort to learn everything possible from them as to the deals in their lands. D. C. McCurtain was the first witness called this morning and told of being employed as attorney for the McMurray firm and retold the story of being offered \$25,000 as a bribe.

It was brought out in the investigation today that McMurray was interested in two kinds of contracts: one employing him as an attorney in the land sales, and another to resist payment of taxes by the Indians. Dennis T. Flynn, attorney for McMurray, explained how the McMurray firm got into the case. At a pow-wow at Sulphur a committee of fifteen was appointed to circulate contracts among the Indians to get them to pay ten per cent on collections. The Indians' notes, payable to McMurray, were taken.

W. T. Halman, a former Indian policeman, testified that he circulated contracts and secured one hundred signatures. Halman insisted that the Indians wanted to get their money out of the lands and wanted a general settlement with the government. Congressman Millner of Minnesota subjected Halman to a vigorous cross-examination to establish the fact that the attorneys advised the Indians that it was necessary to employ lawyers to get their money from the government. The committee spent hours in trying to win Halman over to the conservation question, but he insisted persistently that the Indians wanted their money on the lands. Under the present tribal law at the death of Indians the lands go to the tribe and not to the dead men's families, and the Indians wanted this kind of settlement stopped.

CHALLENGING JURYMEN.
Defense in Lee Browne Case Question Men Offered as Jurors.

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 8.—The four jurors tendered by the state in the Lee O'Neil Browne case are under consideration by the defense today. One man has been refused and the other three are under advisement, and Browne's counsel are challenging them closely.

GOVERNOR WILL BE THERE.
Will Leave For Galveston Tonight, Barring Unforeseen Business.

Austin, Texas, Aug. 7.—Governor Campbell expects to leave tomorrow night for the democratic convention at Galveston. He will carry out this plan unless something unforeseen happens. He explained that he could not leave tonight, as important business detains him.

Longworths at Beverly.
Beverly, Mass., Aug. 8.—President Taft played golf this morning, and will confer with Secretary Knox this afternoon. Congressman and Mrs. Longworth are guests at Beverly.

SOLDIERS FIGHT FIRE

REGULAR ARMY TROOPS OF THE WESTERN STATES ORDERED BY GOVERNMENT TO ASSIST IN SUPPRESSING FIRES.

(Herald special.) Washington, D. C., Aug. 8.—The regular army troops of Montana, Washington, Idaho, Oregon and California have been placed at the disposal of the forest service for the first time in history to assist in fighting the forest fires in the northwest. The fires now raging are the greatest ever known in that section.

One hundred and seventy-five thousand acres of timber have already been burned over and the flames are spreading rapidly. Every effort to check the fire has so far failed.

SECRET ORDERS GIVEN

To Army Aviators of France For Extensive Experiments in Their Machines.

(Herald Special.) Paris, Aug. 8.—Determined to increase the efficiency of the army aviators, the war department today issued secret orders to twenty military aeronauts. The orders involve a series of unusual flights. Lieutenant Bellinger made a flight of sixty-seven miles from Mouremillon to Verdun, and Lieutenants Charveaux and Mallot started today on a one hundred, mile flight from Teroyes to Nancy.

WALTER F. COLQUITT DEAD.
Son of Hon. O. B. Colquitt Died at Austin Sunday Evening.

Austin, Texas, Aug. 7.—Walter F. Colquitt, 14-year-old son of Hon. O. B. Colquitt, died this evening at 7:10 of typhoid fever, after an illness of two weeks. Funeral arrangements have not been made. This bereavement will prevent Mr. Colquitt from going to Galveston, where he will be nominated to be governor of Texas. Rawlins, eldest son of Mr. Colquitt, had gone to Galveston and will return here at once.

J. T. Bowman, confidential secretary to Mr. Colquitt, will represent the latter in the conferences to be held during the convention. He is very close to Mr. Colquitt and has a full memorandum of the latter's views with reference to platform, construction and general policies.

The loss of a bright young son will cause universal sorrow for Mr. Colquitt over the state, and where he was to be acclaimed at the convention as the nominee for the highest office in Texas there will be condolence and sympathy.

TWO DEAD, SEVEN HURT.
Explosion on Sixth Floor of Corn House at Granite City, Ill.

Granite City, Ill., Aug. 7.—Two men are dead and seven are badly hurt as the result of an explosion on the sixth floor of the corn house of the Corn Products Refining company here at 5 o'clock this afternoon. The sixth floor was completely wrecked and it was almost half an hour before the men could be taken out.

The dead: John Galo, Granite City; an unidentified man. The injured: William Mitchell, skull fractured, will die; Tony Mike, internal injuries, will die; Yellock Bladicka, several ribs fractured and internally injured; Dritch Stuenas, several ribs broken and internal injuries, will die; Yafko Dala, injured internally, probably will die; Batson Tilden, skull fractured, probably will die; Thomas Coffman, Venice, Ill., burned on the face, hands and back.

The explosion was caused, it is said, by spontaneous combustion due to the large amount of dust floating about the corn house.

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