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TERRITORIAL LEGISLATION

SEVERAL MEASURES PENDING OF INTEREST TO MEMBERS.

The Wichita Payment—A Bill to Change the Boundary Lines of Judicial Districts—Flynn's Bill for the Quapaws.

Washington, Dec. 24.—Representative Mudd has introduced a bill in the house directing the secretary of the interior to pay to the Wichita and affiliated bands of Indians, the sum of \$1.25 per acre for all land included in the Wichita reservation in Oklahoma territory, and not allotted to the Indians in severalty, which lands were ceded to the United States by the first article of the agreement with the Indians, concluded on the fourth day of June, 1891, and opened to settlement under a homestead, townsite, and mining laws of the United States, in pursuance of a proclamation of the president, dated August, 1901.

It is provided that the payment shall be deemed to include, and shall forever extinguish the judgment of the court of claims, dated January 1st, 1901, for compensation to the Indians for the use of the common schools, university, agricultural college, normal school, and public buildings of the territory and future state of Oklahoma.

Representative Moon, of Tennessee, has introduced a bill in the house providing that all that portion of the Chickasaw nation east of the Washita river, from the mouth of said river to the mouth of the Butcher-pen Creek and north of said Butcher-pen creek to the townsite line between townships, four and five south in range seven east thence along said township line to the boundary line between the Choctaw and Chickasaw nations in range east shall be added to the central judicial district of Indian Territory, and that the United States court for the central judicial district of Indian Territory shall have jurisdiction over all cases, civil and criminal, arising within the said boundaries after the passage of the act.

Delegate Flynn has introduced a bill in the house creating the county of Quapaw, Oklahoma, and defining the boundaries thereof.

The bill provides that all that portion of Indian Territory lying south of the state of Kansas, west of the state of Missouri, north and east of the Cherokee nation, and more particularly described and known as the Quapaw agency lands, occupied by the Quapaw, Peoria, Ottawa, Shawnee, Modoc, Wyandotte, and other Indians be made a part of the territory of Oklahoma under the name and style of "the mother of Quapaw." For judicial purposes said county of Quapaw is attached to the Third judicial district of Oklahoma, and all suits pending in the Indian Territory within the county, either civil or criminal, at the date of the passage of the act, shall be referred to the district court of the Third judicial district of Oklahoma, within and for said county of Quapaw, and there be proceeded with as if originally brought in said court, and the district court be vested with jurisdiction of the same.

The bill further provides that the county seat of government of said county of Quapaw is located at and in the town of Miami, and that on the passage and approval of this act it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Interior to name and appoint a full complement of county officers, as is provided for under the laws of Oklahoma, who shall hold office as by law in Oklahoma Territory.

IN FILIPINO FIELDS.

Chiefs and Forces Lay Down Arms and Give Up Cannon.

Manila, Dec. 25.—The Filipino General Sampson and all the other insurgent chiefs on the island of Bohol have surrendered with 28 cannon and 45 guns.

During an engagement in Batangas province between the insurgents and a detachment of the 21st infantry under Lieutenant Edgar T. Conley, one American private was badly wounded. A number of the enemy were killed. The military prison at Subig Bay has been re-established. A large number of Filipinos captured in Laguna are there. The column under Colonel Dougherty is making a clean sweep of Laguna province, burning all the

insurgent barracks that are found and a number of small native hamlets. Colonel Dougherty has taken many prisoners and the insurgents' loss of life during his operations has been heavy.

PLINY SOPER TALKS.

Tells of the Great Progress of the Indian Territory.

Washington, Dec. 25.—"The growth of towns in the Indian Territory of late is something wonderful," said Pliny L. Soper, United States attorney for the Northern District of the Territory in an interview. "People are pouring into our country from nearly every State in the Union, and as a rule the new comers are a very desirable addition to our population. Only a few days ago I was informed of a case of a man who refused an offer of \$7,500 for a corner lot in the village of Okmulgee, capital of the Creek Nation. It is not long since you could have bought the whole town for that much money and I mention the fact as an example of the rapid development of our section."

"In the district where my work lies there are nearly 60,000 Indians. They are doing well, and when it comes to signing their names as witnesses, a much larger percentage are able to do so than of whites. The Cherokees are a particularly astute people any way you take them, and are natural born politicians."

"All the tribes except the Cherokees have made treaties with the United States government which contemplate severance of tribal relations by March 1, 1906. After that time there will be no common ownership of property and each Indian must rely on his individual efforts. The Dawes commission which has been intrusted with the onerous task of conducting these treaties, has done the best it could with the small force at its command. There should have been a commission for each tribe, instead of only one for the entire five."

THE EASTERN STAR.

One of the Brightest Growing Orders in Our City.

There was a meeting in the Masonic Temple last Monday evening which we are told is worthy of mention. It was the regular meeting of Ardmore Chapter No. 70, Order of Eastern Star.

This Chapter was instituted in Ardmore last October and is therefore very young. Twenty members constituted its organization.

Since that time this little body has grown and flourished until its original membership has increased within these few months nearly 200 per cent.

We are told there are now on the way a dozen applications from some of Ardmore's best citizens.

The regular meetings are held every fourth Monday night in the month, and there is always plenty work to do.

Upon the occasion of the next meeting, a New Year's greeting, consisting of a lunch, spread by the ladies, will prove a drawing feature, they will have hot coffee and cake for all, and a grand time is expected.

CHRISTMAS TREES.

At all Churches Tuesday Night—The Poor Remembered.

All the churches had Christmas trees services, entertainments, or something of the kind last Tuesday night.

At the First Presbyterian church, there was no tree. The superintendent of Sunday School took a different tack on the boys. Instead of their coming there expecting something he had them bring something for the poor. About \$31.50 in money was raised. There were songs and recitations by the little folks, and after it was all over they were requested to sit down on the front benches and candy, nuts, etc., were then distributed among them.

At the Central Baptist church they had a tree and short entertainment. The little folks were all made happy.

At the Christian church a beautiful Christmas tree was laden with presents for the Sunday school children. Songs, recitations, etc., were well rendered by the children and a splendid time they had.

Services were held at the other churches and all who attended had a nice time.

Money on Easy Terms.

The local agent for the Metropolitan Loan and Trusting Company of Fort Worth, is at J. E. Arnold's office permanently. Parties wishing money to build or improve property or pay on present mortgages, will save money by calling at the above office. 12-m

KILLED BY THE FALL.

Fell From a Pecan Tree and Met Instantaneous Death.

Special Phone to the Ardmoreite. Cumberland, I. T., Dec. 25.—Jim King, a farmer, who lived four miles west of this place, fell from a pecan tree, where he was threshing pecans, Sunday and was almost instantly killed. He fell a distance of about 40 feet. Deceased leaves a wife and one child.

WA SACCIDENTALLY SHOT.

Went Bird Hunting and Was Badly Injured, May Lose an Eye.

Special Phone to the Ardmoreite. Wynnewood, I. T., Dec. 26.—Bob Garrett of this place was accidentally shot yesterday afternoon, ten miles west of here on Wild Horse while out hunting.

When the hunting party, which numbered some five or six, reached there, they separated. Soon a covey of birds flew up and the hunters began firing at them. Garrett happened to be on the other side, from the birds and a number of shot struck him. He fell over and was not found until some time later. He had lost considerable blood and the other gentlemen hurried to town with him so that he might receive medical attention.

It was found that he had been shot several times in the face and in the left eye. It is thought that he will lose his eye. Otherwise his condition is reported some better today.

IN A POWDER EXPLOSION.

Two Men Meet With Serious Injuries. May Be Blinded for Life.

Special Phone to the Ardmoreite. Berwyn, I. T., Dec. 26.—Two kegs of powder exploded at Wyatt yesterday, where some parties were shooting anvils, and Andy Hutehins and J. B. Benn were seriously burned.

The two men noticed a coal of fire which had been thrown near the powder and both ran to pick it up, reaching there just as the powder exploded. They were badly burned about the face and in the eyes. They may lose their eyesight as neither is yet able to see anything.

TOO MUCH CHRISTMAS.

Running His Horse It Fell and Fractured His Collar Bone.

Special Phone to the Ardmoreite. Berwyn, I. T., Dec. 26.—Bill Halcomb, who had partaken of too much Christmas whiskey, started to leave town yesterday at a rapid rate, but his horse stumbled and fell fracturing Halcomb's shoulder and collar-bone.

PRIZE FIGHT AT BAUM.

Round Lasted Twenty Minutes But No Serious Results Followed.

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Berwyn, I. T., Dec. 26.—A. L. Mitchell and John Dewese, two citizens of Baum had quite a fight there yesterday morning. The fight lasted for about twenty minutes. Both were considerably beaten up, but not seriously. Too much Christmas whiskey is said to have been the cause of the trouble.

Miss Nellie Perry held the number 313 and won the elegant smoking jacket at Ringer Bros.

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AN ACCIDENTAL KILLING.

Wynnewood Reports the Accidental Shooting of a Prominent Citizen.

Special Phone to the Ardmoreite. Wynnewood, I. T., Dec. 26.—Ace Autrey of this place was accidentally shot and killed here yesterday.

Autrey and others, among whom were Tom Barrett and Doyle Norman, were down on the railroad near the section house shooting at tin cans. Tom Barrett had just shot and Autrey was preparing to shoot, when a repeating rifle in the hands of Doyle Norman was discharged, the contents entering the left shoulder of Autrey and ranged upward the ball lodging at the base of the brain. Norman was kneeling upon the ground behind Autrey loading the rifle which was the reason for the bullet ranging upward after it struck Autrey.

Autrey was about thirty years of age and unmarried.

NOAH MCGILL ACQUITTED.

Defending His Wife From an Assassin, He Shot Him Dead.

Special Phone to the Ardmoreite.

Fishomings, I. T., Dec. 26.—The trial of Sheriff Noah McGill a few days ago ended in the acquittal of the defendant. McGill was charged with the murder of Frank Greenwood, whom he killed last week.

A grudge existed between the parties and in the grievance Greenwood sought revenge upon McGill's wife, attempting to kill her with an axe. He had cut her in the arm and had cut one of her thumbs off, when McGill appeared on the scene. Greenwood started toward McGill with the axe, when the latter drew a pistol and shot him dead.

Two cases for fighting were up before Judge Galt this morning. One of the parties pleaded guilty and was fined \$7.40, while the other man pleaded not guilty and was postponed until this afternoon.

Legal Notice.

One bay horse about 14½ hands high, branded on right shoulder, bush of tail cut off. The owner is requested to pay for feed and other expenses. If payment is not made I will sell the horse at public sale on the streets of Ardmore, Monday, Jan. 27, to satisfy my claim.

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